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THE SANCTIONIST DEADLOCK

SPECULATION RIFE IN PARIS

ABANDONMENT UNTIL SEPTEMBER FAVOURED BY NEW CABINET?

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Paris, To-day.

Although the discussion about the composition of the forthcoming Leon Blum Cabinet overshadows all other themes in political circles, speculation is still rife as to how the sanctionist deadlock will be wound up. The "Ouvre," whose foreign political correspondent is usually excellently informed, writes that the new Cabinet contemplates postponing the final winding up of the Italo-Abyssinian conflict and the abandonment of sanctions till the September session of the League.

The turbulent spirit of French politics, M. Charles Mauras, director of the Royalist organ *Action Francaise*, who has frequently been in the public's notice in recent years, chiefly because he stirred up the Right-Wing students of the Sorbonne against the Government in power, was once again in the centre of the stage of public affairs when yesterday the Appellate Court dealt with his appeal against the judgment of the Penal Chamber of March 21, whereby M. Mauras was sentenced to four months' imprisonment for alleged incitement to murder.

The article in the *Action Francaise*, for which M. Mauras was charged, appeared just at the time when M. Leon Blum was attacked by students when driving along one of the chief streets of Paris in a luxurious motor-car, M. Blum being seriously injured by the thrashing he received. It was then asserted that M. Mauras had inflamed his followers, with the result that M. Blum was made the object of their spite.

The Court of Appeal reduced his sentence to three months' imprisonment, but since M. Mauras has another sentence of eight months to go through yet, he must necessarily disappear from political life for the best part of a year. — Trans-Ocean Service.

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE IN MINIATURE

Valuable Talks At Present Juncture

MEETING IN LONDON

London, To-day.

"The Times" foresees a miniature Imperial Conference in London within the next few weeks, which it opines is particularly valuable at the present juncture, when the international situation necessitates that Britain and the Dominions keep in line.

Mr. Earle Page Menzies from Australia is at present in London, Mr. Pirow is en route from South Africa, Premier Mackenzie King is coming from Canada next month and Mr. Nash is coming from New Zealand as soon as possible.

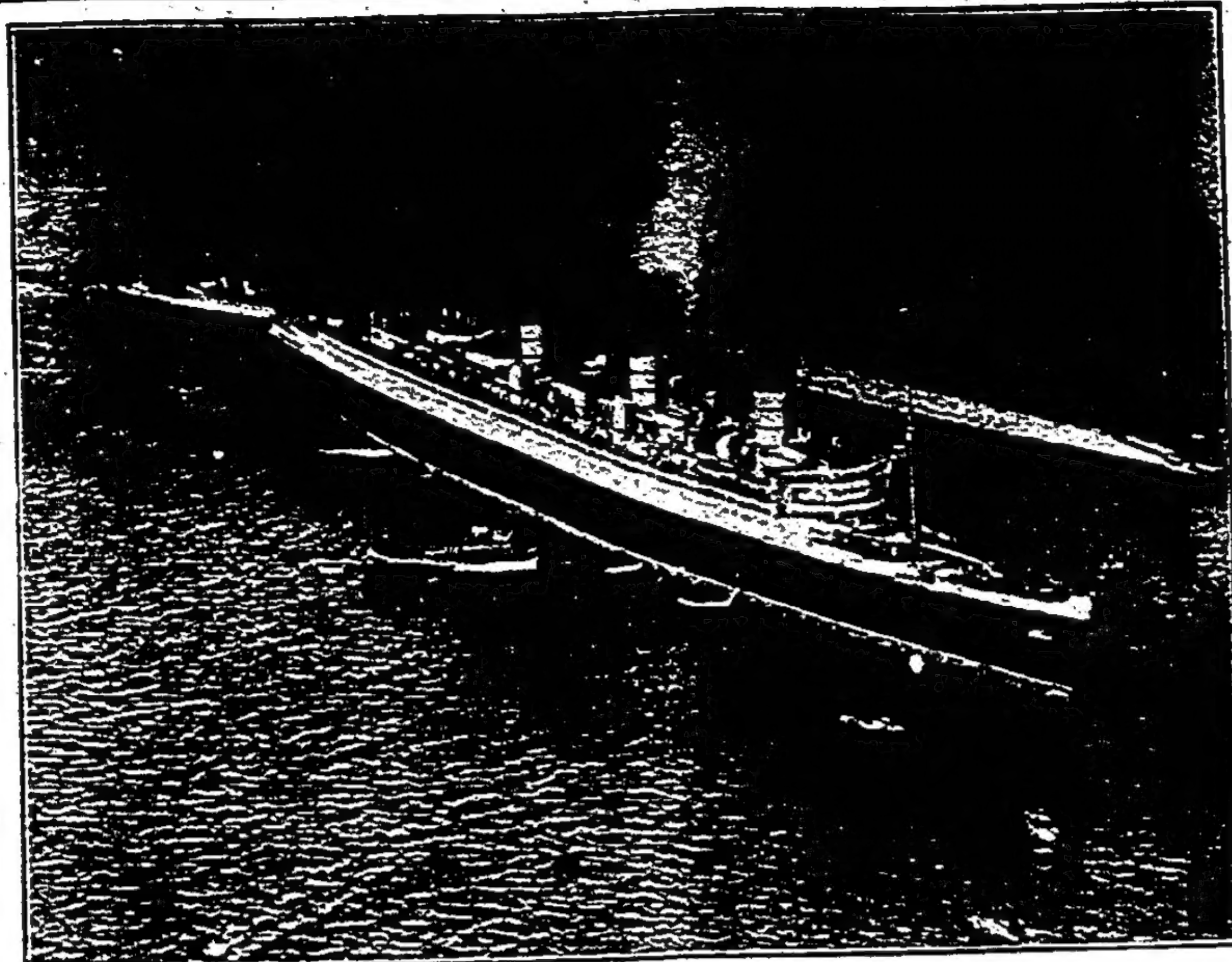
All come to deal mainly with commercial matters except Mr. Pirow, who will discuss problems affecting communications and the defence of South Africa, but *The Times* opines that the talks are certain to cover the whole range of subjects — foreign policy, defence, communications and international trade. — Reuter.

DARDANELLES CONFERENCE

FORMAL MEETING NEXT MONTH

Geneva, To-day.

A conference on the Dardanelles will be held at Montreaux immediately after the meeting of the League Council, probably on June 16, and it is expected that Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, will preside. The Turkish delegation will be headed by the Foreign Minister and will arrive at the Conference with a prepared plan. — Reuter.



The R.M.S. Queen Mary, above, will leave Southampton for New York to-day on her first voyage across the Atlantic. In official circles it is considered almost certain that she will break the Normandie's record time of 4 days 11 hours 42 minutes for the crossing.

NEW VICEROY TO BE APPOINTED?

Marshal Graziani Favoured For Position

Rome, To-day. General Santini has arrived. General Mogadiscio is assuming the Governorship of Italian Somaliland in place of Marshal Graziani. This seems to indicate that Marshal Badoglio will not return to Abyssinia, and that Marshal Graziani will be appointed Viceroy. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

OPPOSITION TO AGGRESSION

National Drive In Canton?

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Canton, Yesterday. No definite result has been reached between the Nanking delegates and the Canton authorities concerning co-operation between the Central Authorities and the military here. A further exchange of views took place last night and a showdown is expected by the end of the week.

The Central Authorities undertake to assist the Canton regime in restoring the value of its banknotes, whose credit is affected by the rising value of the Hong Kong dollar. The premium for Hong Kong currency has been rising, and this reduces the purchasing power for arms and other imported goods.

On the other hand, Generals Li Chung-jen and Pai Hsung-hsi, Kwangsi military leaders, believe that economic questions, are subordinate to the (Continued on Page 12)

H.M. AS FIELD MARSHAL

Brief Ceremony At The Palace

London, To-day.

H.M. the King's acceptance of his Field Marshal's baton was marked by the minimum of ceremony at Buckingham Palace yesterday afternoon. Six Field Marshals, including Lord Cavan, Lord Milne, Sir William Birdwood, Sir Philip Chetwode, Sir Archibald Montgomery-Massingberd and Sir Claud Jacob, all in morning dress, assembled in the State department with the senior Field Marshal, H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, who handed to His Majesty the symbol of rank, accompanying the act with a few words, to which the King graciously replied. Only two Field Marshals were absent — King Alfonso and the Emperor of Japan. — Reuter.

Home Cricket, Golf and Tennis will be found on Page 7.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Hopkins Passes At Victoria Hospital

WELL-KNOWN CHARITY WORKER

We regret to have to record the death of Mrs. F. A. Hopkins, wife of Mr. F. A. Hopkins, J. P., Assistant Superintendent of Prisons, which occurred early this morning at the Victoria Hospital.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day. Mrs. Hopkins had been suffering for about a week with heart trouble, and was about 50 years of age. She was responsible for untiring work on behalf of local charities, among them being the Prison Branch of the Ministering League. Mrs. Hopkins came to the Colony about five years ago with her husband, and during the time of her residence here had made a large number of friends in all circles with which she came in contact.

Great sympathy will be felt with her husband, her daughter in Hong Kong and her son in England, in their bereavement.

THREE BRITISH SUBJECTS DETAINED

Italian Authorities' Move At Direhawa

Djibouti, To-day.

The Italian authorities at Direhawa have detained three British subjects, Colonel Llewellyn, of the British Ambulance unit, and Major Bentinck and Mr. Vaughan Jones, who went to Abyssinia on behalf of the Blue Cross. — Reuter.

IRAQI CUSTOMS REGULATION

DIRECTED AGAINST JAPAN

Baghdad, To-day.

A new Customs regulation provides that Japanese piece-goods cannot be cleared at Iraqi Customs houses unless the importer can prove the export to Japan of Iraqi produce to the value of 15 per cent. of the Japanese goods he desires to clear. The proportion of Iraqi exports will later be increased to 25 per cent. — Reuter.

TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE

British And Dutch Interests

The Hague, To-day.

Details of co-operation between British and Dutch air and sea lines were prepared in committee when the transport conference opened yesterday, attended by representatives of Imperial Airways, Royal Dutch and all the prominent British, Dutch, European and Oriental shipping lines. Both trips and fares were discussed. — Reuter.

COMPROMISE PENDING?

NEW POLICY URGED BY KREMLIN

Moscow, To-day.

It is understood that the Kremlin is urging a compromise with Italy, believing that German policy entails the greatest threat to European peace. M. Radek, writing in *Isvestia*, writes that an eleventh hour attempt will be made to organise collective security along the lines of the regional peace pacts proposed by the late M. Louis Barthou.

Urging collective security as the sole means of maintaining peace, M. Radek declares that England is unable to protect her interests single-handed against Italian attack, while an Anglo-German understanding would antagonise all the nations which are apprehensive of German aggression. — Reuter.

TROOPS AND TANKS DESPATCHED

THRILLING RESCUE OF JEWISH STEAMER

REGULAR GUERRILLA WARFARE FAILS TO SHAKE MANDATORY GOVT.

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Jerusalem, To-day.

The Arab disturbances in Palestine are increasing from day to day and have now taken the form of regular guerrilla warfare against the Mandate Government's police and troops. The whole of Western Palestine, from Haifa in the north to Nazareth in the east, with Jerusalem and Gaza in the south, is infested with armed bands who in the past two days have been attacking police and soldiers from ambushes, cutting telephone wires and putting signals on the railway out of action.

The centre of the revolt now appears to be shifted to Gaza where, in addition to signals being damaged, the railway lines were torn up yesterday, thus causing a suspension of this important section of the line providing connection with Egypt. In the streets of Gaza itself barricades have been erected and violent street fighting has occurred between rioters and troops.

In Jerusalem the conditions are now quieter, thanks to the energetic measures taken by the authorities, so that it has been possible to despatch troops and tanks to Gaza and other threatened towns, including Nablus, where groups of Arabs are firing wildly at the military camps.

An audacious attempt to seize a Jewish steamer outside the three-mile limit at Tel Aviv was made by Arabs, who surrounded the steamer in boats and threw three bombs at it. The police, however, raced out from Tel Aviv in fast motor-boats in time to free the steamer from the attackers.

Any hopes that the Arabs may have entertained that the Mandate Government might weaken were squashed by a speech by the British High Commissioner, Sir Arthur Waugh, yesterday at the Levant Fair in Tel Aviv, when he stated that neither strikes nor acts of violence would prevent the British decisions and obligations under the Mandate being carried out. — Trans-Ocean Service.

TROOPS FROM CAIRO
Cairo: More troops are leaving for Palestine to-day, but there is no question of any large reinforcements and probably no more than one company will be sent. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

ROYAL COMMISSION
London: "A state of unrest, accompanied by acts of sporadic violence, continues in Palestine," said Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Minister for the Dominions, in the House of Commons yesterday. He rejoiced that order had been restored at Gaza, where the most serious disturbances occurred.

He explained that authority was given earlier in the year for increases in the British and Palestinian-British sections of the police, besides the recent enrolment of a number of ex-constables (Continued on Page 7)

TROUBLE EXPECTED IN AUSTRIA

HEIMWEHR NOT FINISHED

SECRET CONFERENCE HELD

Vienna, To-day.

That the Heimwehr is not going to be extinguished without a serious struggle is proved by the outcome of the protracted secret conference of all the provincial leaders. A laconic communique announced that the Heimwehr headquarters had been transferred to Linz (the birthplace of Prince von Starheimberg), and that Herr Karl Weminger had been appointed Chief of the Heimwehr General Staff.

The conference affirmed its intention to pursue the fight for the aims of Heimwehr fidelity to Prince von Starheimberg. It is learned from a high authority that the new programme consists of arming the Heimwehr to the teeth, despite Chancellor von Schuschnigg's intention to disarm it.

All possible members of the Heimwehr will enter the official militia, but will retain their Heimwehr allegiance. The remainder will be organised to resist the disarming. The Vice-Chancellor, Major von Baarenfels, and other Heimwehr members of the Schuschnigg Cabinet will not resign from the Government. — Reuter.

NEGUS'S JOURNEY TO ENGLAND

Booked By "Corfu"

Gibraltar, To-day.

Passages for the Negus and his retinue have been booked aboard the P. and O. liner *Corfu*. There will be no official reception when the Negus arrives on Friday by H.M.S. *Capetown*, and he will probably stay aboard the cruiser while in Gibraltar. — Reuter's Bulletin Service.

N. JERSEY FOREST FIRE

WORST IN HISTORY OF STATE

New Gretna, N.J., To-day.

Five people have been killed and seven admitted to hospital as a result of the worst forest fire in the history of New Jersey. About 15,000 acres of timber have been destroyed. Thirty-three other people were reported to be missing earlier, but 17 of them are now accounted for.

The blaze raged for 48 hours. Just as 750 weary fire-fighters in the early morning thought they had conquered the fire it broke out again, and only a superhuman rally, directed by radio and an aeroplane, led to the final subduing. Scores of families fled from their homes along the busy highway between New York and Atlantic City. — Reuter.

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INWARD MAILS.

FROM EUROPE

R.M.A. Dorado (Imperial Airways Service) May 27
Rawalpindi (via Suez) May 27

FROM U.S.A.

Pres. McKinley May 25
Emp. of Russia June 4
Pres. Hoover June 4

FROM SHANGHAI

Victoria May 23
Pres. McKinley May 23
Chitral May 23
Gen. Sherman June 23
Agapenor June 1
Jean Laborde June 1
Sarpentou June 1
Emp. of Russia June 4
Pres. Hoover June 4

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Tango Maru May 28
Calcutta June 1
Houtman June 1
Yuensang June 4

FROM JAPAN

Tokyo Maru May 27
Hakodate Maru May 28
Pres. McKinley May 23
Chitral May 23
Gen. Sherman June 23
Pres. Hoover June 4
Emp. of Russia June 4

FROM MANILA

Emp. of Canada May 27
Nankin June 3

FROM AUSTRALIA

Nankin June 3

OUTWARD MAILS

FOR EUROPE

Emp. of Canada (via Siberia) May 28
Closes: Reg. 9.15 a.m. Ord. 10 a.m.
R.M.A. Dorado (Imperial Airways direct service) May 29
Closes: Reg. 5 p.m. Ord. 8 a.m.
Chitral (K.L.M. Service) May 30
Closes: Reg. 8.30 a.m. Ord. 9 a.m.
D'Arctang (via Siberia) May 30

(Continued from Next Column.)
prise and I do wish the school every success in the future." (Applause).

His Excellency then declared the cornerstone well and truly laid, using a mallet and trowel, after which the stone was blessed by Father Riganti.

His Excellency shook hands with the officials and departed. Tea was served, during which the band played a number of sections.

CONVENT SCHOOL STONE-LAYING

Ceremony Performed By Governor

NOTABLE GATHERING

The ceremony of laying the cornerstone of the new Maryknoll Convent School, which is being built at the junction of Waterloo Road and Boundary Road, Kowloon Tong, was yesterday afternoon laid by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, who has happily recovered from his recent indisposition.

His Excellency, who was accompanied by Mr. H. J. Crutwell, Private Secretary, was met on arrival by Rev. Father G. T. Byrne, S.J., and Sister Paul, Regional Prioress.

Girl Guides of the Holy Spirit School and the Maryknoll Convent School provided a guard of honour and also lined the way up the stairs to the scene of the ceremony.

The building was gaily bedecked with flags and bunting. Music was provided by Professor F. Gonsalves and his band.

Among those present were Sir William Hornell (Vice-Chancellor of the University), Mr. A. G. W. Tickle (Acting Director of Public Works), Mr. W. B. Finnigan, Registrar of Hong Kong University, Professor L. Forster, Mrs. G. R. Sayer (wife of the Director of Education), Bishop J. E. Walsh, Very Rev. Father A. Riganti, V. G. Chevalier J. M. Alves, Brother Aimar, Fathers Joy, T. Cooney, Naval G. M. Spada, Daly, Mr. J. A. Ritchie (Messrs. Palmer and Turner), Mr. W. C. Felshow (Messrs. Little, Adams and Wood), Mrs. Felshow and Miss Felshow, Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen, Dr. E. L. de Souza, Mr. L. B. Warren, Mr. R. S. Phillips, Mrs. Richard, Mr. Groff, Mr. Bast, Mr. J. Russell and Mr. Mei On.

The cornerstone, which was carried out in marble by Messrs. C. E. Warren and Co., Ltd., bore the following inscription: "To the Greater Glory of God through the Maryknoll Ideal. This stone was laid by Sir Andrew Caldecott, C.M.G., C.B.E., Governor of Hong Kong, May 26, 1936."

Father Byrne's Speech

Father Byrne, S. J., before calling upon His Excellency to lay the cornerstone, gave a brief account of the work accomplished by the Maryknoll Mission in the Colony and the principles laid down in their constitution. He continued:

"But the basic principle of the Maryknoll teaching is religious and moral training; the endeavour to form Christians with strong convictions and solid virtues, and citizens equipped with such knowledge and accomplishments as benefit their circumstances or the interests of their country or family."

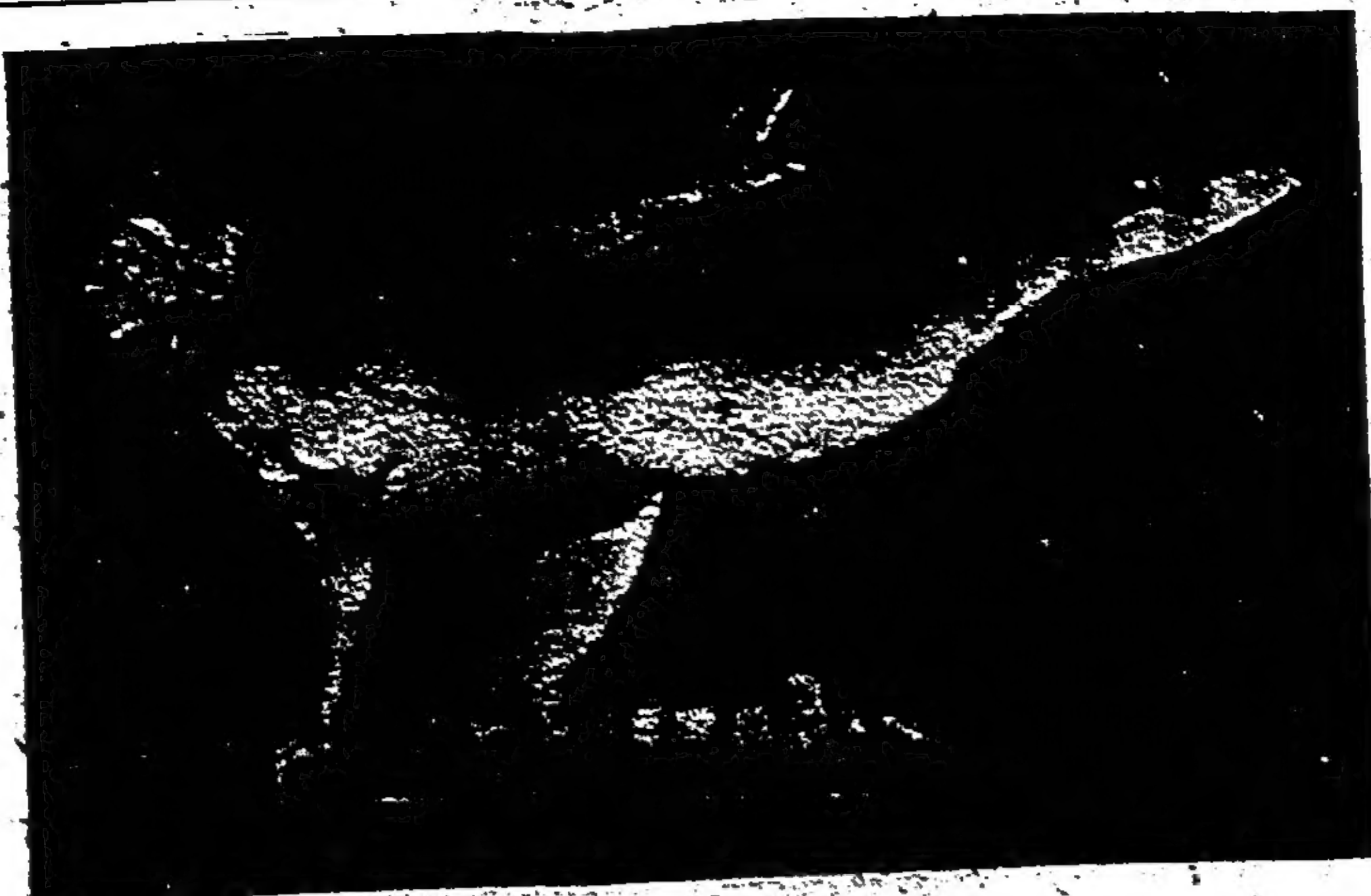
Father Byrne then thanked His Excellency for his presence and called upon him to lay the stone.

H. E.'s Reply

His Excellency, replying, said that he had to thank the doctors for allowing him to be present, but their permission was conditional on his not making a speech. After hearing the extraordinary kind words of welcome which had fallen from Father Byrne, said Sir Andrew, he felt he must say a few words in appreciation. He hoped that what Father Byrne had said about the Colony's purse becoming adequate was a prophecy.

"I want to say this," His Excellency concluded. "I cannot say all that is in my heart to-day, but I do want to thank the Maryknoll Sisters for their splendid entertainment."

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"Living Statuary," posed by a member of the "Tommy's Revue" Company which is now appearing at the King's Theatre.

R. A. ASSOCIATION

Meeting Held On Monday

NEW OFFICIALS ELECTED

A meeting of the Hong Kong Branch of the Royal Artillery Association was held in the Garrison Lecture Hall on Monday afternoon.

Colonel A. Burrows, Commander, Royal Artillery, took the chair and, in opening the meeting referred to the death of the late Chairman, Colonel A. B. Hearle, D.S.O., which they all regretted and which was a great loss to the Association. He stated that the number of members of the local branch in 1934 was 234, in 1935 was 195, and in 1936 had increased by leaps and bounds and at the present moment stood at 247.

The Secretary, Lieutenant (D.O.) E. Peck, M.B.E., D.C.M., R.A., read the minutes of the previous meeting, which were passed. He proposed that Colonel A. Burrows be appointed Chairman of the local branch of the Association, which was carried unanimously.

The Treasurer, Captain L. M. Scott, R.A., read the accounts, which were in a very satisfactory condition.

The following were elected to serve on the general committee:—

Chairman: Colonel A. Burrows; Treasurer: Captain L. M. Scott, R.A.; Secretary: Lieutenant (D.O.) F. Peck, M.B.E., D.C.M., R.A.; Members: R. S. M. Grant (Stonecutters), L/Sergt. Williams (Lyemum), and S/Sergt. (A.C.) Glasspool (Kowloon).

Officials Elected

The following were elected assistant secretaries and members of the entertainment committee:—

Master Gunner G. F. Bentley, S/Sergt. (A.C.) Glasspool, H.K. Bde., Gunner R. W. Aldridge, 12 Bty. Bty., Bombardier Short, 20 Bty. Bty., Bombardier Pickworth, 24 Bty. Bty., L/Sergt. Williams, 7 A.A. Bty., Bombardier Percival, 9 A.A. Bty., and Mr. A. E. Manwaring.

The following proposals were agreed to:—

1. That non-members attending R.A.A. entertainments should be charged 50 per cent. more than members.

2. That members of the 1st Battery, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, should be regarded as honorary members of the R.A.A. at all entertainments.

3. That subscription cards be retained with members' documents as at present, but shown to them annually, and that membership cards be issued to each member.

4. That subscriptions be collected in quarterly instalments instead of half-yearly, and remitted to headquarters annually.

5. That Mr. Bliss be asked to serve again as member on the general committee.

SMUGGLING IN N. CHINA

Nanking's Attempts At Prevention

MANY SCHEMES CONSIDERED

(From Our Own Correspondent) Canton, Yesterday.

Concerning the extensive smuggling in North China by Japanese runins and others, Chinese reports received from Tientsin last night stated that Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, economic adviser to the British Treasury, is in favour of using Chinese warships to check the smugglers.

Numerous schemes have been adopted by the Ministry of

Finance to stop smuggling, but none of the plans has yet been effective. The Tientsin Customs are powerless to cope with the situation.

Japanese merchants complain that the Chinese import tariff is too high and therefore encourages smuggling. They say that some of the smugglers are Chinese.

Foreign observers in North China believe that Japan wants to use the smuggling issue as a means to force the Nanking Government to enter into an alliance with Japan and Manchukuo.

Three cases of enteric fever and one of smallpox were reported to the local Health authorities during the three days ended on Monday.

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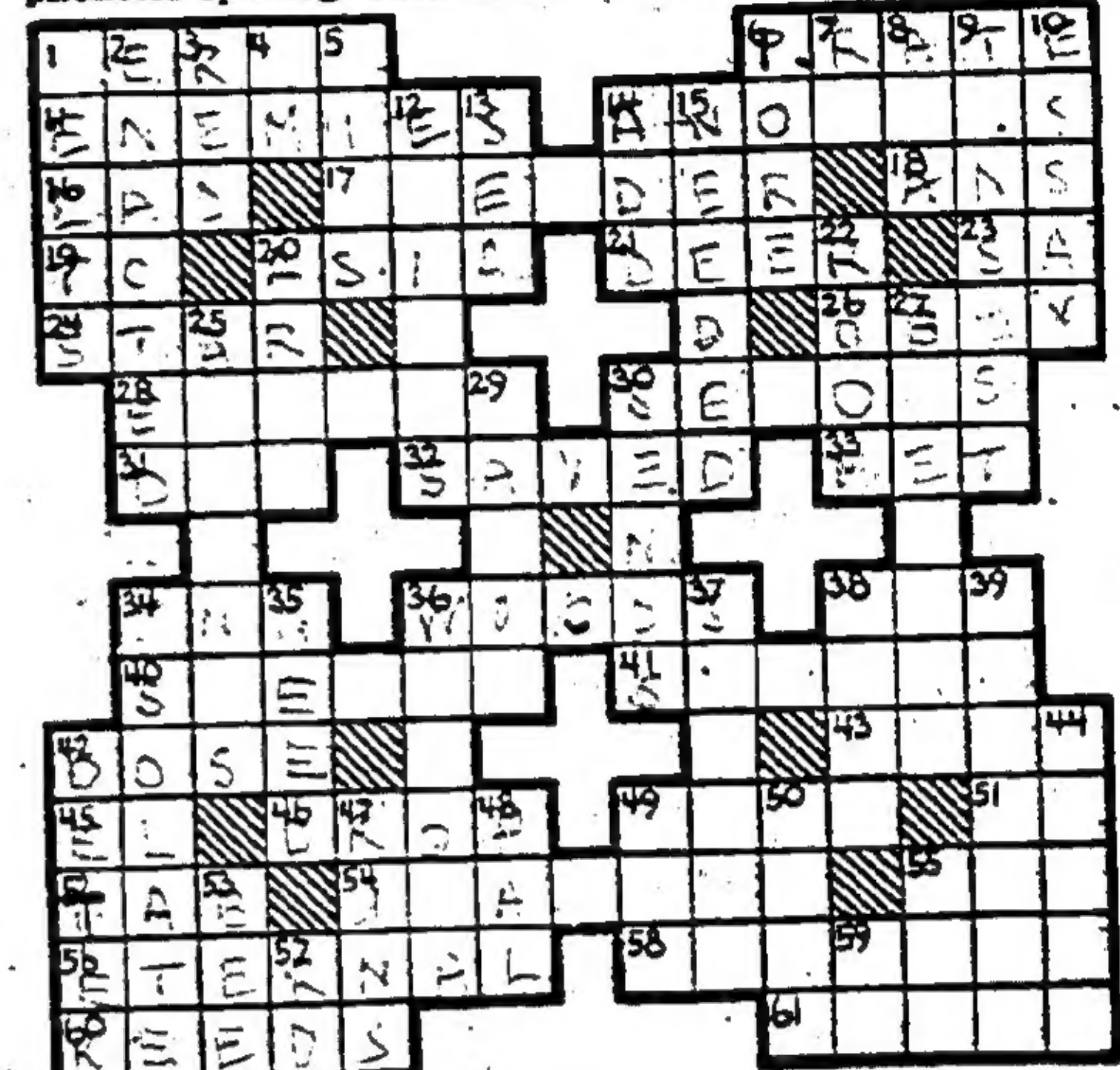
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This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



- HORIZONTAL**
- Capital of Western Australia
 - Idle talk
 - Fox
 - Weakens
 - Youth
 - Thin
 - Answer (abbr.)
 - Tierce (abbr.)
 - Continent
 - Wild animal
 - Continent (abbr.)
 - Chief actor
 - Mind
 - Entrance
 - Spanish title (pl.)
 - The (Ger.)
 - Rescued
 - Joined
 - Tavern
 - Plants
 - Point of compass
 - Cubic unit of metric measure (pl.)
 - Pastimes
 - Portion of medicine
 - River flowing in Bohemia
 - The (Sp.)
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
- Let fall
 - Coarse outer coat of
 - A land measure (abbr.)
 - Flap
 - Torbernite (mineral)
 - By way of
 - Forever
 - Places for cultivating flowers
 - Long grass stalks
 - Choice of eight voices
- VERTICAL**
- Animal skins
 - Performed
 - Crimson
 - Trade mark (abbr.)
 - Sound of contempt
 - Opening in the skin (abbr.)
 - Runic (abbr.)
 - Man's name
 - Taunted
 - Composition
 - Strikes out, as a vowel
 - Ocean
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
- Augment
 - Covered with tall grasses
 - Science
 - Part of a house
 - Consecrated
 - Bears the brunt of
 - American prima donna
 - Dispatches
 - Place in a detached position
 - Want
 - A lady (Sp.)
 - Town in Greece
 - Ireland
 - Drug used to contract pupil of the eye
 - Restrained from
 - Cook in an oven
 - Moves rapidly
 - Chum
 - Large
 - Combining form
 - An insect
 - Veteran (abbr.)
 - Road (abbr.)
 - Six hundred

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue.

Presentation Made At C.S.C.C. To Departing Committee Member

A very pleasant function took place at the Civil Service Cricket Club yesterday afternoon when a presentation of a blackwood tray, inlaid with silver, and a scent bottle was made to Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Alderman, who are leaving next Saturday by the s.s. Chitral, by members of the Club.

In making the presentation, Mr. J. Deakin, Hon. Secretary, said that Mr. Alderman joined the Club in 1915 and had been for several years a member of the General Committee and up to last year was the Chairman. He assisted the Club in the cricket league and was also a member of the Bowls Committee. Owing to his close association with him, as secretary, he was sure that the Club never had a better or more popular member. He concluded by wishing Mr. and Mrs. Alderman, on behalf of the members and friends, a pleasant voyage and many happy years at home.

In replying thanking the Hon. Secretary for his kind words, Mr. Alderman said that he had been present at many presentations but never at one with more regret than this one. It is true that he joined in 1915, thus making nearly 21 years of membership with the Club. He played cricket for the Club till 1929 and felt sure that in the lawn bowls section he had caused the Club to lose more games than any other member. He recalled the many happy days spent in the old Clubhouse, where, owing to lack of space, the members were brought closer together.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on Saturday, 30th May, and MONDAY, 1st June, 1936, commencing at 2 p.m. and 12.30 p.m. respectively.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. on SATURDAY, and at 12 noon on MONDAY.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP,
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Hong Kong, 25th May, 1936.

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RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry.
Quentin Maclean at the Organ of the Trocadero Cinema, Elephant and Castle.
7.15 p.m.—The Vienna Symphony Orchestra.
Peer Gynt—Incidental Music (Grieg).
The Daughter of the Regiment—Overture (Donizetti).
Les Cloches de Corneville—Overture (Planquette).
7.40 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Pianoforte Recital by Luba Shaf-tain.

Programme
1. Preludes, Op. 15 and Op. 17. Scriabin.
2. Variations. Glazounov.
3. Valse. Prokofier.

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal).

1. I feel a song coming on.
2. Whenever I think of you.
3. Sweet dreams Sweetheart.
4. Wake!

8.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin and Announcements (Copyright by Reuters).

8.35 p.m.—Excerpts from "Pagliacci" (Leoncavallo).
I never knew my dear.
What! thou—I know that you hate me.

No! you do not love me.
To Act with my heart maddened with sorrow.

Quickly, sweet gossip.
Dear Harlequin! My Colombine.

9 p.m.—Big Ben from Daventry.
9 p.m.—A Synopsed piano and vocal recital by Vivian Ellis.

1. The Town Talks—Medley.
2. Let me play.

9.15 p.m.—A Relay from Daventry.
9.15 p.m.—The Maiden Voyage of the Cunard-White Star liner R.M.S. "Queen Mary." A description from Southampton of the liner's departure for New York.

9.45 p.m.—The 153rd renewal of the Derby Stakes. A running commentary by R. C. Lyle, from the Grand Stand, Epsom Racecourse.

10.15 p.m.—The Maiden Voyage of the Cunard-White Star liner R.M.S. "Queen Mary." A description from Southampton of the liner's departure for New York.

10.45 p.m.—Dance Music.
11 p.m.—Close Down.



Edmund Lowe and Vera Engels are in the Universal production, "The Great Impersonation," which is now being shown at the King's Theatre.

BRIDGE NOTES

Justice Really Is Blind

By Ely Culbertson

A curious paradox in bridge is that a slightly off-colour bid is apt to be severely punished, while an atrocious bid too often is rewarded. A friend of mine once bitterly remarked that "It was all right with him that God should take care of fools and drunkards, but why should crazy bidders get the same protection?" I feel constrained to echo his plaint whenever such a farce as the following hand is brought to my attention.

West, dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
S A 10 8 4 3
H A 10 9 6 2
D None
C Q J 7
WEST EAST
S Q 5 S J 7 6
H Q 8 7 5 3 H 4
D A Q 6 D K J 9 7 4 3
C A 10 4 C 9 5 2

SOUTH
S K 9 2
H K J
D 10 8 5 2
C K 8 6 3

The bidding:
West North East South
1 heart 1 spade 2 diam. 2 no tr.
Pass 3 no tr. Pass Pass
Double (final bid)

"A fantastic bid. Two spades would be slightly optimistic; two no trump is indefensible. West opened the diamond ace, North discarded a spade, East played the seven of diamonds. (Continued at foot of next Col.)



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ROTARY TIFFIN MEETING

Interesting Address By Mr. J. R. Paton

CHANGE OF PRESIDENTS

At yesterday's tiffin meeting of the Hong Kong Rotary Club Mr. J. R. Paton, Manager of the local office of the Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada, gave a most interesting account of the experiences of his wife and himself on a journey through Cambodia to visit the famous Khmer remains, under the title "To Angkor by the Back Door."

Professor L. Foster announced that he was sitting for the last time as President of the Club, as he would be leaving for Home shortly and would hand over the office to Mr. W. N. T. Tam.

The departures of other Rotarians were announced, and a number of visitors were welcomed. A new member, Dr. W. C. W. Nixon, of Hong Kong University, was introduced by the retiring President.

Hail And Farewell

The following guests were welcomed:—Rotarian Edward J. Field of Adelaide, South Australia; Rotarian L. Falkner of Shanghai; Mr. Jules Leurgan and M. C. Renner of Hong Kong; Mr. K. T. Ho of Honolulu; Mr. Shim Kye-lim of Swatow; Mr. J. G. Cox of Cawnpore; and Mr. E. R. Child of Hong Kong.

The President welcomed as a new member Dr. W. C. W. Nixon, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology to the University, whose membership was endorsed by acclamation.

In extending a hearty welcome to Rotarian Field of Adelaide, the President asked him to convey the best wishes of the Club to his fellow Rotarians.

It was mentioned with regret that Rotarian D. S. Hill of the Hong Kong Electric Company was leaving shortly, returning Home by way of Canada, to whose clubs he was delegated to take the warm wishes of the Hong Kong Rotary Club. Professor W. Brown was sailing for Singapore on Saturday, and taking an Imperial Airways plane Home from there.

Rotarian F. A. Mackintosh said he wished particularly to welcome Rotarian L. Falkner of Shanghai and to thank him for the excellent work he did at the Shanghai Convention recently.

Mr. W. N. T. Tam, incoming President, thanked Professor Foster for the work he had put into the year's activities and suggested that his services be recorded on the Club's books. The proposal was adopted with acclamation.

Declarations of the deuce. Feeling sure that South must have a double diamond stopper—judging from both dummy's void and South's pass to the double of three no trump—West now shifted to the spade queen.

North's ace won, and the queen of clubs was led. West took the ace and led another spade. Declarer's K-9 trapped East's jack, and both tricks were crashed, setting up dummy's long spade. Now the king and jack of hearts were led, West not covering the latter. The jack of clubs was used as an entry to dummy for the cashing of the heart ace and the last spade, after which declarer ran off his two remaining club tricks. Result, three no trump made with an over-trick, instead of a 300 penalty.

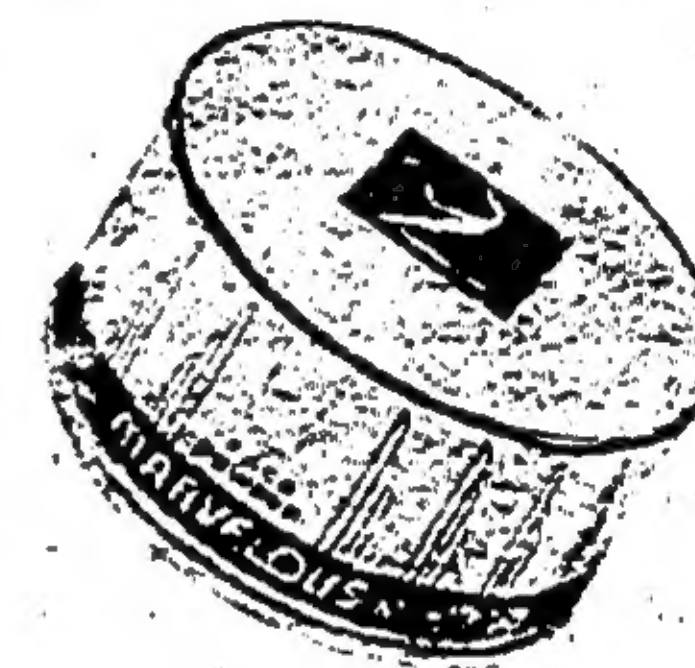
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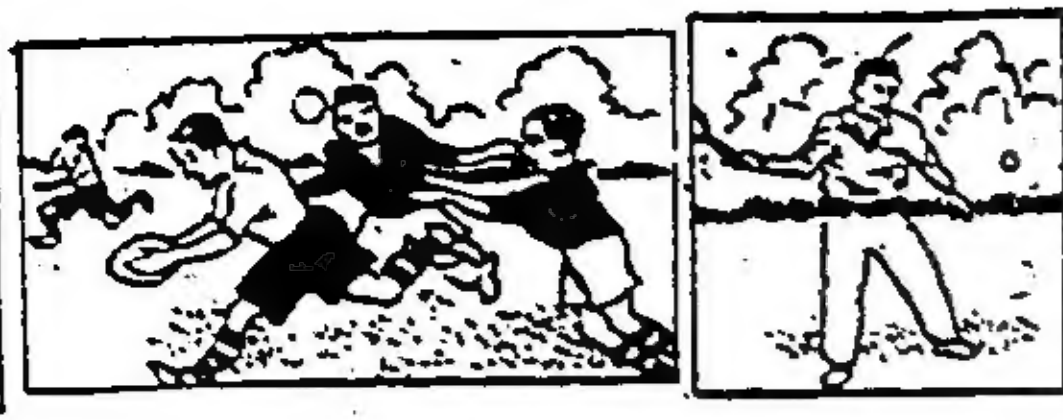
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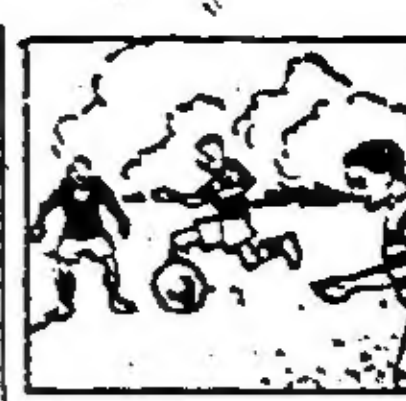
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RECREIO LIKELY TO MAKE STRONG BID FOR PREMIER HONOURS

MACAO TENNIS SIDE VISITING COLONY TO MEET RECREIO OVER WEEK-END

BADMINTON GAME AGAINST ST. ANDREWS

(By "Ace")

THE Macao Tennis Club will be sending a representative team to Hong Kong this week-end, as guests of the Club de Recreio, and will engage in an inter-Club series of matches on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. The mixed doubles matches are to be held on Saturday afternoon, and on Sunday morning the men players will be seen in action.

The Macao players are serving a double purpose in visiting Hong Kong—they will also participate in badminton games, against a team representing St. Andrew's on Saturday night, and on Sunday evening against a Recreio team. Since the Macao players have only recently taken up badminton, the local Portuguese are not fielding their best team.

Under the captaincy of D. Joao Villa Franca, the Macao team will be the best available at the present time. With Carlos H. da Silva, Franca has an able partner for the doubles, as the former player is regarded as the most promising and most improved of the younger exponents of the game. He has an excellent service, combined with a good volley and overhead. Franca, although a veteran player now, was at one time, the co-holder of the Doubles Championship of Portugal, his partner on this occasion being an English Naval Officer, and one of the leading Service players at Home. Franca's service is most consistent, though not of the "ace-scoring" type, with a terrific spin on every ball. His strongest point is his overhead—he smashes with deadly accuracy. Backed with a volley that is sound on both hands, fore and back, a perfect drive, and a steady backhand, he is, undoubtedly, a formidable foe. The progress of tennis in Macao can be attributed to this sterling player.

Good Understanding

Playing as the second doubles string, J. da Senna Fernandes and Alfredo J. da Silva are strong as a playing force, their understanding and positioning on the court being almost perfect.

"Antonio H. de Mello and Alexandrino Boyol will complete the "A" team. The former has won the Macao Singles title in the past, and is one of the brothers who could, if they all got together, field a team of their own. The team, on the whole, is a young one and is backed with an unending supply of stamina. They should give Recreio "A" something to think about.

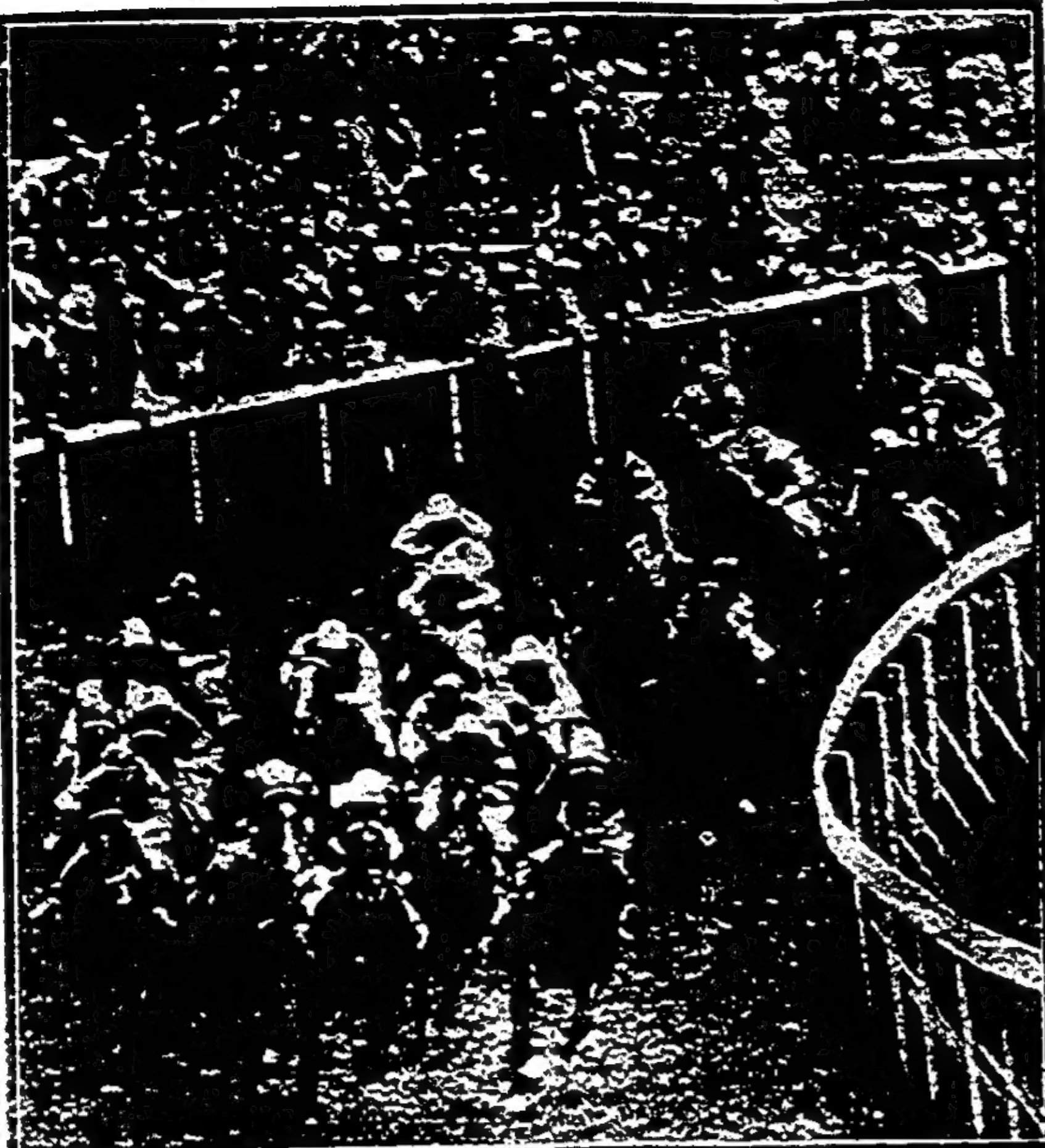
The "B" team is a well-balanced one, with H. W. Bradley and Luis A. de Mello playing as first couple. Of the former player, I have no data as to his ability, but Luis A. de Mello has figured in most of the inter-Club matches, and can be relied upon to give a good account of himself in all his games. A. de Barros Pereira and F. C. Yuan, Luciano B. la Costa Martin and Fernando J. Ramalho will complete the side.

Mixed Doubles Series

The mixed doubles series will carry the majority of votes where keenness and the friendliest rivalry is concerned. The Macao team has been complimented by the fact that Recreio are taking no chances in the mixed doubles matches, for they are fielding their league side, with no changes in the line-up. I have been given to understand that the Macao team is a strong one, and, therefore, Recreio will have to give of their best if they are to register a win.

Mlle H. de Menezes Ribeiro, with J. de Senna Fernandes, will lead the Macao side, and there are indications of a first class match when they meet A. V. Gosano and Miss Olga Ribeiro. Mlle C. da Silva Vidigal and Luis A. de Mello, and Mlle Amalia Nolasco and Antonio H. de Mello will oppose Miss Cissy Botelho and F. J. Remedios and Miss Alice Roza and A. V. Remedios respectively.

Six badminton players will carry the hopes of the Macao Club against St. Andrew's on Saturday night. The players have not the experience of the Kowloon side, but they hope to gather many points of the finer technique of this sport when opposed to better players. The game has only recently been taken up in Macao, but the great strides that have been made go to show the extreme keenness of the players to make the game a permanent fixture in Macao. Eduardo B. da Silva, Jose Nolasco, Jose Boyol, Pedro Angel, Jr., Alvaro de S. da Silva and Henry Noronha are the selected players to meet St. An-



The famous Tottenham Corner where to-day's Derby will probably be decided.

LOW SCORING BOWLS MATCHES

CRAIGENGOWER PAIR'S VERY NARROW WIN

LOW scoring featured the postponed First Round ties in the Colony Open Pairs Lawn Bowls Championship yesterday. W. V. Field and M. A. R. Souza, of Craigengower, beating J. Watson and J. Fraser, of the K.C.C. by 14 shots to 13 on the Police green, in what must represent a record in a low-scoring, championship game, while at the K.C.C. L. Glendinning and J. Shepherd, of the Police, beat J. D. Thomson and G. E. F. Thompson, of the K.B.G.C., by 16 shots to 9.

VILLA INTERNATIONALS NOT RETAINED

Three Players Who Cost Club \$21,000

London, May 2.—Aston Villa, who will play in the Second Division next season, are placing three former Scottish internationals on the open-to-transfer list. These are Gibson, McLuckie, and Blair, who cost the club approximately £27,000. Gibson has been with the club nine seasons, Blair four, and McLuckie 18 months. Both Gibson and Blair have captained the side. Williams, the outside-right, who was bought from Huddersfield Town for £3,000 in November, is also on the transfer list.

drew's and Recreio.

Strong Saints' Team

The Saints will be fielding a strong side composed of the following players:—R. H. Wong, H. Kew, E. F. Fincher, F. V. Wong, A. S. Bliss and L. E. Kirby. The following have been selected to represent the Club de Recreio:—

LAWN TENNIS

"A" Team

A. V. Remedios (Captain) and J. J. Goncalves, A. V. Gosano and C. A. Barretto, F. J. Remedios and H. A. Barroa.

"B" Team

J. J. Remedios and L. F. V. Ribeiro, W. A. Reed and H. A. Noronha, A. E. Xavier and M. A. Oliveira.

Mixed Doubles

A. V. Gosano and Miss Olga Ribeiro, F. J. Remedios and Miss Cissy Botelho, A. V. Remedios and Miss Alice Roza.

BADMINTON

L. A. L. Silva, H. A. Barros, P. A. Silva, N. Beltrao, E. A. R. Alves, J. Xavier, Reserve: A. E. Xavier. A suitable programme for the entertainment of the Macao team includes a tea on Saturday afternoon at the Club de Recreio, and on Sunday a dinner on the Club premises, to be followed by a dance, the music being supplied by amateur musicians of the Club.

YOUTHFUL SIDE TOO GOOD FOR CLUB

GONSALVES PLAYER OF GREAT PROMISE

McDOUGALL DOES WELL IN SPASMS

(By "Base-Line")

THE Recreio, who were runners-up to the Chinese R.C. in the "A" Division of the Lawn Tennis League last year, have every reason to look forward to an equally successful season and, judging on yesterday's showing against a very mediocre H.K.C.C. team, they are likely to extend both the champions and the greatly improved I.R.C. team.

With the advantage of youth, the Recreio sextette yesterday made rings round the Club players, who were flattered by the possession of two-and-a-half sets. Beaten time and again by their opponents' pace and initiative, they put up a plucky but unavailing front, and the majority of the points they secured were the result of careless mistakes on the part of the home players.

In Goncalves the Recreio have a player of exceptional promise, and he fits in perfectly with A. V. Remedios' style of play. In a set limited to 12 games they are going to prove very formidable rivals.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Recreio	6½	H.K.C.C.	2½
U.S.R.C.	2½	I.R.C.	6½
C.R.C. "A"	5	from C.R.C. "B"	4
K.C.C.	5	S.C.A.A.	4

INDIAN R.C. WIN "A" DIVISION TIE FROM U.S.R.C.

Home Team Rely Only On First String

COURTS IN VERY BAD CONDITION

The Indian Recreation Club secured a surprisingly easy victory in their "A" Division Lawn Tennis League fixture against the United Services R.C. on the latter's courts yesterday, winning by 6½ sets to 2½ after securing a 2-1 lead in the first round.

The tie did not start until 5.45 p.m. and by the time the third round commenced the light was exceedingly bad, making good play almost impossible.

The courts were in very bad condition and the ball invariably bounced at an awkward angle, although this made little difference to the visitors, who were, excluding Goldman and Sullivan, much too good all round for the home team.

Formidable Team

A. O. Madar and H. D. Bumjahn proved a very formidable partnership, and but for superb interceptions at the net by Goldman in the twelfth game, they would have beaten the U.S.R.C.'s first string.

Bishop and Withington were a steady pair, but their positioning was weak and this proved their downfall in all three sets. Withington was over-driving too often, while Bishop's volleying could be improved.

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Scores were:

L. Goldman and A. L. Sullivan (U.S.R.C.)	6-2
beat S. A. Ismail and M. I. Razack	6-2
drew with A. O. Madar and H. D. Bumjahn	6-6
beat M. O. Hosen and F. D. Pereira	6-3
Wing-Comdr. Bishop and Major R. L. Withington (U.S.R.C.)	3-6
lost to Ismail and Razack	0-6
lost to Madar and Bumjahn	0-6
lost to Hosen and Pereira	0-6
Col. Brewer and Lt. Comdr. S. F. Stapleton (U.S.R.C.)	1-6
lost to Ismail and Razack	1-6
lost to Madar and Bumjahn	1-6
lost to Hosen and Pereira	4-6

The Weak Link

F. J. Remedios and Barros are the weakest Recreio link—yesterday both players looked as if they badly needed practice. Barros has a good forehand shot which he makes when the ball is almost on the second bounce, but his net play yesterday was far from impressive. Remedios has several very nice strokes, but he is far too impetuous when presented with an opening. On this pair will hinge Recreio's chances of being in the first three at the conclusion of the season.

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INDIAN R.C. SHOULD TEST CRAIGENGOWER

Champions Expected To Win Easily

C.R.C. "OVER 40 BRIGADE" TO ENTERTAIN K.C.C.

(By "BASE-LINE")

"Although I have no information regarding the composition of the I.R.C. team, I feel sure Craigengower, potential champions of the "B" Division of the Lawn Tennis League, will be fully extended this afternoon in their initial encounter. However, be that as it may, Leonard and Hachima are confidently expected to go through the season without defeat, and Zimmern and Chao look good to me for the two other sets required for victory, without calling on Howard and Lal.

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Capt. G. E. T. Eyston, above, the world famous British racing driver, set up several new world's land speed records for diesel engine cars on the Salt Flats at Bonneville, Utah, during a heavy storm last month.

K.C.C. JUST TOO GOOD FOR SOUTH CHINA

Fincher Brothers In Fine Form

CLARK DISAPPOINTS AND CHINESE IMPROVE

Disappointing play featured the "A" Division Lawn Tennis League fixture between the Kowloon Cricket Club and South China A.A., the newly promoted team from the "B" Division, on the former's courts yesterday and which resulted in a win for the Cor's Path combination by 5 sets to 4.

The Fincher brothers were again responsible for carrying the K.C.C. to victory, being very impressive in all their three matches. Clark, a promising newcomer, however, proved disappointing and failed to come up to expectations. He gave Bodiker little support and consequently the latter started shakily, though he improved immensely as the game progressed.



Grose and Guest were steady, although the latter will have to put more power behind his forehand drives.

The Chinese have improved all round and in time should offer a stern challenge to the holders, they were most impressive at the net, which is a good sign.

Scores were:—E. C. and F. E. Fincher (K.C.C.) beat W. H. Ho and K. H. Wong 6-1, beat F. N. Wong and C. P. Ip 6-3, beat K. F. Lui and H. K. Ho 6-3.

F. Grose and A. E. P. Guest (K.C.C.) beat Ho and Wong 6-4, lost to Wong and Ip 4-6, lost to Lui and Ho 4-6.

G. Bodiker and G. Clark (K.C.C.) beat Ho and Wong 6-2, lost to Wong and Ip 5-7, lost to Lui and Ho 4-6.

C.R.C. (1) CONCEDE WALK-OVER

Second Team Unable To Field Full Side

Due to the fact that the C.R.C. "A" Division (2) team could not field a side, as several of their players are on the sick list, they were forced to concede a walk-over to their senior team (1) in their premier division League Tennis tie at Causeway Bay yesterday.

Members of the Club, however, figured in a practice "knock-up" on the lines of a League match, though no scores were kept as an official of the Club informed the China Mail that the points had already been awarded to the "A" (1) team.

U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

Tigers Held By White Sox In Double-Header

"DOUBLE" FOR CARDINALS

New York, To-day. The following were the results of the League baseball matches played yesterday:—

American League

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	9	14	2
Detroit	12	16	1

St. Louis 8 11 1
Bottomley hit a homer.

Cleveland 5 5 2
Crossetti hit a home run.

New York 4 10 1
Crossetti hit a home run.

Boston 5 9 0
Fox hit a homer.

Philadelphia 2 8 4
Washington 8 13 0

National League

Brooklyn 3 7 1
New York 7 14 3
Leiber hit a home run.

Boston 2 11 0
Philadelphia 7 17 1
Norris and J. Moore hit homers.

Cincinnati 4 10 2
Cuyler hit a homer.

Chicago 10 15 0
Pittsburgh 2 7 0
Vaughan hit a homer.

St. Louis 6 9 0
Pittsburgh 2 2 2
St. Louis 6 4 0

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INDIAN R.C. SHOULD
TEST CRAIGENGOWER

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The C.R.C., who have held the "B" title for the past 12 years, will again make a bold bid for honours, and I cannot see the H.K.C.C. giving them an early check. Rodgers and Evans should test the champions, but I doubt whether the other two pairs will hold their own, even on their own courts.

Recreio Favoured

The Recreio should not have much difficulty in accounting for the C.B.A., although the latter team's hard-hitting tactics may quite easily cause an upset. The Civil Service, who finished up third last year, are even stronger this season and a handsome victory over the University is expected of them. Shute and Todd will take some beating in this division, and if Bendall and Agafuroff can show any improvement on last year's form the Valley Club are going to prove formidable rivals.

The Teams

The following are selected teams for to-day:—
C.B.A.—R. Blyth and N. Whitley; J. M. Wilson and E. J. Bickford; F. D. Angus and J. J. Ferguson.
C.R.C. (1) Lee Yu-wing and Leung Ping-chiu; Choy Ping-fan and Lau Man-kwong; Lu Tak-lam and A. N. Other.
Craigengower: J. W. Leonard and Y. Hachuma; G. Lai and W. J. Howard; F. R. Zimmer and R. Choa.
L.R.C.—P. D. Pereira and Y. C. Arculli; A. E. Kitchell and S. A. R. Bux; M. E. Abbas and M. A. Arculli.
K.C.C.—S. A. Gray and A. Crawford; A. W. Ramsey and G. C. Burnett; L. Jack and N. A. Mackay.
Civil Service (Probable)—R. Todd and E. L. H. Shute; J. A. Bendall and I. Agafuroff; J. Bradley and G. Pengelly.
University—T. C. Lee and H. N. Lee; K. T. Kwik and J. Hau; Y. C. Lau and S. Ling.

The Programme

The following is to-day's and the week's programme, commencing at 5.15 p.m. sharp on each day:—

"B" DIVISION

To-day
C.R.C. (2) v K.C.C.
(Causeway Bay).

C.C.C. v L.R.C.

(Happy Valley).

C. de R. v C.B.A.

(King's Park).

H.K.C.C. v C.R.C. (1)

FRIENDLY CRICKET
MATCHESMilitary Teams
Prepare

In preparation for the Inter-Company Cricket competition which starts on June 8, teams from the East Lancashire Regiment are playing quite a good deal of cricket at Shamshuipo Camp at the present.

On Monday the Headquarters Wing played "A" Company, but neither side was at full strength. Headquarters Wing scored 203 for nine wickets declared (Dr. Johnson 62, Bds. Botting 54, Pte. Griffin 3 for 64, Lieut. J. P. Williams 3 for 72 and Pte. Badman 3 for 20), while the "A" Company replied with a score of 207 for 9 wickets (Pte. Nolan 64, Lieut. J. P. Williams 24, C. S. M. Elvin 5 for 72).

INDIAN R.C. WIN "A" DIVISION
TIE FROM U.S.R.C.

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Brewer and Stapleton are not suited to each other's play and their understanding was consequently very poor. Poaching was frequent and they were invariably outpositioned. Brewer was the steadiest of the two, possessing a formidable backhand drive which scored several well-needed points.

Poor Service

Hoosen, who has been promoted to the L.R.C. first team, played a useful game in his debut appearance in the premier division, although he was very weak in his service, invariably foot-faulting. He has a promising forehand shot and volleys and half-volleys well, but his backhand is his weak spot. Pereira was his usual self and steady as a rock, his baseline drives being his best stroke.

(Hong Kong C. C.)

C.S.C.C. v H.K.U.T.C.

(Happy Valley).

"C" DIVISION

To-morrow

K.I.T.C. v L.R.C.

K.C.C. (1) v S.C.A.A.

K.T.G.C.A. v C. de R.

H.K.U.T.C. v C.C.C.

C.R.C. v A.T.C.

C.S.C.C. v K.C.C. (2)

"D" DIVISION

To-day

P.R.C. v L.R.C.

K.I.T.C. v A.T.C.

C.C.C. v K.C.C.

C.B.A. v S.C.A.A.

PROSPECTS FOR ALL-INDIA CRICKET TOURISTS

THE CASH VALUE OF
A DERBY WINNERINCREASED BY THEIR
STUD PROSPECTSBLANDFORD'S REMARKABLE
CAREER

(By Eric Rickman)

THE Aga Khan's Taj Akbar at 13 to 2 for the Derby... Pay Up second favourite at 100 to 15, and Noble King at 7 to 1... What are the money-making possibilities of these horses about whom the whole world is talking? In this article Eric Rickman draws on his profound turf knowledge to tell the story of the earning capacities of other great horses.

The value of the Derby winner to-day will be greatly increased by his triumph in the world's greatest race. The result will have an extensive effect on bloodstock values and "fashion," for there are fortunes to be made from racehorses without betting a penny-piece on them.

One named Blandford, who died recently, was bringing to his owners an annual income of about £12,000 in stud fees. At the time of his death he was insured for a sum which covered approximately what he would have earned for another three years. His fee had been 400 guineas and was to have been increased next year to 500 guineas.

If the insurance money is included Blandford must have earned nearly £125,000 since he was retired from racing. His original cost to his owners, Messrs. R. C. and the late S. C. Dawson, was 730 guineas, and when they bought him at least

one man who knew his history

thought that it would be impos-

sible to train him.

Hopeless Case

Blandford was bred at the National Stud, and when he was a year old he had rheumatic fever. It is said that the veterinary surgeon who attended him thought at one time that he was a hopeless case.

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Swimming
Organiser

D. F. LOPES, Hon. Secretary of the Victoria Recreation Club and a fine all-rounder in his day, was born in Hong Kong in 1907 and educated at the Diocesan Boys' School.

He did not, however, take an active interest in sport until after leaving school, when he joined the Club de Recreio and played hockey and cricket for their first eleven from 1928 until 1932, being Hockey Secretary for the same period.

He joined the Victoria Recreation Club in 1932 and was elected to the Swimming Sub-Committee as a judge and timekeeper in 1931, and in 1934 accompanied the Hong Kong Interport team to Shanghai in the capacity of Manager. He was appointed to the Secretaryship this year.

A very keen follower of the Turf, he is a very good judge of horse-flesh.

THEIR CHANCES IN
COMING TESTSENGLISH SELECTORS SET
ABOUT THEIR TASK

THE YOUNGER PLAYERS

(By Howard Marshall)

London, May 2.

TO-DAY the cricket season really opens. For weeks the nets have been busy, and arguments have raged about the summer's prospects, but this morning the bell will ring on county grounds, and the first properly hostile ball will be bowled.

I was impressed by the glimpse we had of the Indians at Gravesend. They were naturally stiff and out of practice, but they are clearly cricketers of the right sort, anxious to attack the bowling, and keen in the field. They will be at their best, no doubt, on fast wickets, for their batsmen are essentially stroke players, with the supple, wristy style which seems to be a national characteristic.

They produced more brilliant strokes in one brief innings at Gravesend than we are accustomed to see in the whole course of a county match, but brilliance alone is not enough.

YOUTHFUL SIDE TOO
GOOD FOR CLUB

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The Club were best served by Owen Hughes and Sewell in the number of sets won—1½—but Pearce and McDougall were undoubtedly the more polished pair. McDougall played really good tennis in spasms and then on other occasions dropped points through lack of concentration. Pearce again failed to impart sufficient speed into his shots to ensure outright winners, and he will have to do so if he is to meet with success in this grade of tennis. He has everything necessary to make him a really aggressive player—height, reach and a good eye.

Wrong Policy

Owen Hughes and Sewell did not make a very sound partnership in view of the fact that Sewell generally hugged the base-line with Owen Hughes at the net. There were several interceptions by the latter, but they did not justify the one-up-one-back policy. They never gave up trying and it was mainly due to this that they won 1½ sets.

Bathurst and Harrison were very inconsistent, particularly the latter. In all, it was an enjoyable encounter with the right spirit prevailing.

Detailed scores:—
A. V. Remedios and J. Gonzales (Recreio):—

beat T. A. Pearce and D. McDougall 7-5

beat G. W. Sewell and H. Owen Hughes 6-2

beat E. Barthurst and J. Harrison 6-2

C. A. Barretto and A. V. Gonzales (Recreio):—

beat Pearce and McDougall 6-3

lost to Sewell and Owen Hughes 1-6

beat Barthurst and Harrison 6-2

F. J. Remedios and H. A. Barros (Recreio):—

lost to Pearce and McDougall 3-6

drew with Sewell and Owen Hughes 6-6

beat Barthurst and Harrison 6-3

Finding England Team

This brings me to the real problem for the England selectors will spend an anxious summer trying to collect a team which will do us credit in Australia next winter. I do not envy them their task, for the nucleus round which they have to build is uncommonly small. Sutcliffe, Leyland, Hammond, Wyatt, Ames, Verity—these players we may write down as certainties, but where are we to look for the rest, and who is to be our captain?

R. W. V. Robins cannot make the trip, and any prognostications about the captaincy may be regarded as premature shots in the dark. Apart from the captaincy, though, what are our prospects? The pundits, let me admit, are depressed. Our greatest players are our veterans. Our youngsters mature slowly. It would be difficult indeed to pick an M.C.C. team for Australia to-day.

Our Young Players

Why this should be so it is hard to say. Young cricketers like Washbrook and Hutton have been heralded as the natural successors to the Old Guard, but somehow they do not fully consolidate their positions. They are still promising, and it may be that this summer, they and others like them, with proper encouragement, will step into their kingdom.

There is Oldfield, of Lancashire, for example, a 25-year-old batsman who played a remarkably fine innings against Surrey last season. On that performance he is, perhaps, the most promising of them all.

There is Hardstaff, of Nottinghamshire, who did extremely well during the recent M.C.C. tour of Australia and New Zealand. There is N. S. Mitchell-Innes, the Oxford captain, plagued by hay-fever last season, but potentially a great batsman. Mitchell, of Yorkshire, Todd and Pegg, of Kent, Smith, of Derbyshire, and bowlers like Copson, of Derbyshire, said to be fit again, and Pollard, of Lancashire—there are other young players who should give us hope for the future.

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LOW SCORING BOWLS
MATCHES

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Low Scoring		Low Scoring	
Head	L. Glendinning and J. D. Thomson and J. Shepherd	Head	S. O. Bux V.C. Labrum and A.O. Minu J. Jack
1	0 0 0 1 1 2	1	0 1 1 0 0 1
2	0 0 0 1 1 2	2	0 1 1 0 0 1
3	0 1 1 0 0 2	3	0 1 2 0 0 1
4	0 1 2 0 0 2	4	0 2 2 0 0 3
5	0 1 3 0 0 2	5	0 2 2 0 0 3
6	0 2 3 0 0 2	6	0 3 2 0 0 5
7	0 2 5 0 1 3	7	0 3 2 0 0 5
8	0 2 7 0 1 3	8	0 3 2 0 0 5
9	0 1 8 0 0 3	9	0 3 2 0 0 5
10	0 1 8 0 0 3	10	0 3 2 0 0 5
11	0 1 9 0 0 3	11	0 3 2 0 0 5
12	0 1 10 0 0 3	12	0 3 2 0 0 5
13	0 1 11 0 0 3	13	0 3 2 0 0 5
14	0 1 11 0 0 3	14	0 3 2 0 0 5
15	0 1 11 0 0 3	15	0 3 2 0 0 5
16	0 1 11 0 0 3	16	0 3 2 0 0 5
17	0 1 11 0 0 3	17	0 3 2 0 0 5
18	0 1 12 0 0 3	18	0 3 2 0 0 5
19	0 1 13 0 0 3	19	0 3 2 0 0 5
20	0 1 15 0 0 3	20	0 3 2 0 0 5
21	0 1 16 0 0 3	21	0 3 2 0 0 5

K.C.C. Pair's Big Win

N. Bebbington & S. Houghton Head A. Hyde-Lay T. Ferguson									
1	0	0	4	4					
2	0	0	1	3					
3	2	2	0	3					
4	5	7	0	3					
5	8	7	1	6					
6	2	9	0	6					
7	1	10	0	6					
8	1	11	0	6					
9	3	14	0	6					
10	3	17	0	6					
11	1	18	0	6					
12	0	18	2	8					
13	0	19	0	8					
14	2	21	0	8					
15	3	24	0	8					
16	1	25	0	8					
17	0	25	2	10					
18	0	25	5	15					
19	0	25	1	16					
20	1	26	0	16					
21	2	28	0	16					

Good Civil Service Win

	A. W. Grimmitt and C. Strange	T. B. Parks and M. Ferguson
Head		
1	0	1
2	2	0
3	0	1
4	2	0
5	0	3
6	4	2
7	8	0
8	9	5
9	3	0
10	13	5
11	2	0
12	3	5
13	1	5
14	2	0
15	21	5
16	1	5
17	0	6
18	0	7
19	2	7
20	24	7
21	2	7
22	4	7
23	0	7
24	8	7
25	9	7
26	9	7
27	9	7
28	9	7
29	9	7
30	9	7

Uncompleted Game

Unpublished					
Head	M. Y. Adal A. R. Dallas			H. E. Strange and E. R. Wood	
	1	2	3	4	5
1	0	1	1	0	0
2	0	1	2	0	0
3	0	0	2	5	5
4	0	1	3	0	5
5	0	0	3	2	7
6	0	1	4	0	7
7	0	2	6	0	8
8	0	1	6	0	8
9	0	1	7	0	8
10	0	0	7	1	9
11	0	4	11	0	9
12	0	2	13	0	9
13	0	1	14	0	9
14	0	0	14	2	11
15	0	0	14	2	13
16	0	1	15	0	13
17	0	0	15	2	13
18	0	0	15	2	17
19	0	2	17	0	17
(Not yet completed)					

Police Pair Win

Head	W. Mair W. Greig	A. F. Paul W. Macfarlane
1	0 1 1	0 0 0
2	0 0 1	1 1 1
3	2 3 0	0 1 1
4	0 0 3	1 2 2
5	0 3 3	1 3 3
6	0 3 3	2 5 5
7	0 0 3	1 6 6
8	0 0 3	3 10 10
9	5 8 0	0 10 10
10	2 10 0	0 10 10
11	1 11 0	0 10 10
12	0 11 1	1 11 11
13	0 11 2	2 13 13
14	5 16 0	0 13 13
15	2 18 0	0 13 13
16	2 18 0	0 13 13
17	1 19 2	0 13 13
18	2 21 0	0 14 14
19	2 22 0	0 13 13
20	0 22 2	2 15 15
21	0 22 3	3 18 18

GIMBLETT AGAIN IN LIMELIGHT

Harris Scores Third Century

LIGHT BLUES BEAT ARMY BY FIVE RUNS

London, To-day.

Following their win over the All-India touring team at Taunton by 9 wickets three weeks ago, Somerset registered their first win in the county championship series yesterday when they beat Northamptonshire by 10 wickets at Kettering, a century by Gimblett, coupled with some fine bowling by Hazell, who secured 14 for 139, giving them the maximum points. Gimblett, incidentally, registered his third three-figure innings of the season, having knocked up a century against All-India and Lancashire respectively in earlier matches. Last season he won the award for the fastest century.

In the match between Notts and Hampshire, which the former won on the first innings, Harris was again prominent with the bat, his 105 not out being his third century this season—he scored 135 against Gloucester and 102 against Cambridge.

Iddon scored a century, his second this season, for Lancashire against Worcester, while Warner, of the latter county, made his first century in first class cricket.

Results in detail are as follows:

At Kettering, Somerset beat Northamptonshire by 10 wickets. Somerset: 206 (Gimblett 100) and 224 for 9. Northants: 120 (Hazell 6 for 60) and 137 (Hazell 8 for 79).

At Manchester, Lancashire took first innings points from Worcester. Worcester: 202 and 208 for 8 dec. (Warner 115). Lancashire: 222 (Iddon 135) and 102 for 3.

At Nottingham, Nottingham took first innings points from Hampshire. Notts: 300 and 238 for 1 (Harris 105 not out). Hants: 299.

At Cambridge, the Light Blues beat the Army by five runs. Cambridge: 238 (N. W. D. Yardley 101) and 109. The Army: 151 and 191.

At Bristol, Gloucester beat Glamorgan by one wicket. Glamorgan: 240 and 116 (Goddard 5 for 43). Gloucester: 177 and 183 for 9.

At Hinckley, Leicestershire beat Warwickshire by one wicket. Warwick: 133 (Geary 5 for 36) and 78 (Geary 7 for 7). Leicestershire: 108 (Mayer 5 for 19, Hollies 4 for 19) and 104 for 9 (Hollies 6 for 39).

At Chesterfield, Derbyshire beat Sussex by an innings and 25 runs. Derby: 387 (Townsend 182 not out). Sussex: 129 (Copson 5 for 42) and 232.

At Sheffield, Yorkshire beat Kent by an innings and 153 runs. Kent: 107 (Verity 6 for 26) and 39 (Verity 9 for 12). Yorkshire: 299 for 7 dec. (Barber 158).

At Lord's Middlesex beat All-India by 4 wickets. All-India: 110 (P. W. V. Robins 5 for 13) and 158. Middlesex: 173 (Amar Nath 6 for 29) and 96 for 6.

At Brentwood, Surrey beat Essex by 8 wickets. Essex: 94 (Gover 6 for 36) and 223 (Gover 6 for 46). Surrey: 250 (Barling 106, Nichols 5 for 70) and 68 for 2.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

The following matches are due to start to-day—
Lord's—Middlesex v Somerset.
Oval—Surrey v Sussex.
Brentwood—Essex v All-India.
Bristol—Gloucester v Derbyshire.
Oxford—Oxford U. v Worcester.
Cambridge—Cambridge v Yorkshire.

County Championship Table To Date

	1st Innings			2nd Innings			No Result			Points			Per Cent		
	P.	W.	L.	P.	W.	L.	P.	W.	L.	Pts.	Pts.	Pts.	P.	W.	L.
Kent	6	4	1	0	5	3	4	0	63	90	70.00				
Leicestershire	4	2	0	1	1	0	0	38	60	63.33					
Surrey	4	3	1	2	0	0	0	55	90	61.11					
Yorkshire	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	35	60	58.33					
Notts	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	25	45	55.55					
Derbyshire	4	2	1	0	1	0	0	33	60	55.00					
Hampshire	6	2	0	2	2	0	0	46	90	51.11					
Essex	5	2	2	0	1	0	0	33	75	44.00					
Lancashire	5	1	0	3	1	0	0	33	75	44.00					
Somerset	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	18	45	40.00					
Warwick	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	15	45	33.33					
Middlesex	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	15	45	33.33					
Worcestershire	3	1	1	0	3	0	0	24	75	32.00					
Gloucestershire	5	1	3	1	1	0	0	20	75	26.66					
Sussex	5	0	2	1	1	0	0	8	75	10.66					
Glamorgan	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	8	75	10.66					
Northants	4	0	3	0	1	0	0	4	60	5.00					

Miss Earhart Plans New Round World Flight



Los Angeles. — Miss Amelia Earhart (Mrs. G. P. Putnam), above, the only woman to fly solo across the Atlantic, is planning a round-the-world flight from East To West.

Friends of the aviator say that she has already acquired a twin-engine all-metal plane for the flight.

The aeroplane, a Lockheed Electra, will be equipped with all scientific aids to aerial navigation and blind flying.

Miss Earhart will make several non-stop dashes across the American Continent as test flights before she begins her flight round the world.



BRITISH AMATEUR GOLF SERIES

Bobby Locke Beaten In Second Round

EX-SHANGHAI BOY WINS

St. Andrews, To-day.

A feature of the concluding stages of the Second Round of the British Amateur Golf Championship yesterday was the defeat of the favourite, Bobby Locke (South Africa), by Morton Dykes (Scotland), by one up. Another former South African champion, Bernard Wynne, was beaten one up by Penning of Oxford.

Jack Maclean, the ex-Scottish champion, beat John de Forest, winner of the title in 1932, by 3 and 2; Rex Hartley, the Walker Cup player, beat James Stout, also a Walker Cup player, by 2 and 1; J. C. Cowly (Rotherham) beat John Woolam, the former English Native champion, by 1 up; Captain Stevens beat Lister Hartley, a Walker Cup player, by 2 and 1.

THIRD ROUND RESULTS

The winners included the Australian James Ferrier, the ex-Shanghai boy, and the British Walker Cup players Tony Torrance, Dr. Tweedle, Leonard Crawley and Eustace Storey.

Outstanding Third Round results were Roger Wethered's win over A. Bloomer (Grimsby) by 4 and 3, while Lus Arana, the Spanish champion, beat K. Patrick (Scotland) by 3 and 2. Frank Scroggie (South Africa) beat A. Black (Wales) 1 up; and Hector Thomas, the Walker Cup player, beat James Brock (Scotland) by 7 and 5.—Reuter.

MRS. WILLS-MOODY NOT PLAYING

Unable To Defend Title At Wimbledon

BUT WILL COMPETE AT FOREST HILLS

New York, To-day.

Mrs. Helen Wills-Moody will not be going to Wimbledon to defend her title next month.

Interviewed by Reuter, Mrs. Wills-Moody said that it was a question of choosing between Wimbledon and Forest Hills. She said "I would like to get back the American title more than to defend the Wimbledon championship" when explaining that she would be unable to get away from home for the length of time necessary for the European trip.—Reuter.

Mrs. Wills-Moody last held the U.S. tennis crown in 1931, since which date Miss Helen Jacobs has held the title. She won the Wimbledon title for the sixth time in 1933 when she defeated Miss Dorothy Round (Britain) in the Final by scores of 6-4, 6-8 and 6-3, but she did not take part in the 1934 series. Last year she staged a comeback and won the title again, beating Miss Helen Jacobs (her Forest Hills conqueror in 1933) by 2 sets to 1.

MISS YORKE'S TRIUMPH

Second Title At Anteuil

Anteuil, To-day.

Miss Yorke (Gt. Britain) secured her second win in the French lawn tennis championships yesterday when, partnered by Marcel Bernard (France), she won the Mixed Doubles title, beating Martin Legay and Mme. Henrotin (France) 7-5, 6-8, 6-3.—Reuter.

Partnered by Mme. R. Mathieu (France), Miss Yorke secured her first win in the French championships on Sunday when she beat Miss Susan Noel (Gt. Britain) and Mlle. Jedrejowska (Poland) 2-6, 6-4, 6-4 in the Final of the Women's Doubles. Her latest win has considerably enhanced her chance of inclusion in the British Wightman Cup team.

To-day's Complete Short Story

WEDDING PRESENT

By E. A. Moll

PAUL heard the chimes out in the hall sound faintly. He swallowed his drink and looked at his father-in-law. The latter smiled companionably.

"Little nervous?" "Mm mm. Not a bit." Elinor came in from the hall and floated over to them. "They're here. Now remember," she warned, only half joking, "you're to be terribly nice to everybody." She had piled her hair high on her head, her face was a little flushed with hurry and the green chiffon dress had ignited submerged gold glints in her reddish hair. He

looked, and his heart grew dangerously tant, like a balloon blown up beyond the margin of safety.

"Don't worry," he said inadequately. "I'm just brimming over with sweetness." He'd begun to brim over with his father-in-law's liquor too, he realised; his lips were feeling quite numb.

She squeezed his hand and went off in a trailing pale green mist. Mr. Maitland was still smiling. "How do you feel?" "Fine," he said. "Swell. First rate."

"Well . . ." the older man filled his glass, "lift this one anyway, just for luck." Paul felt himself grinning at him; he could feel the shape of it around his mouth. The man had turned out to be a prince. It wasn't fair of him, really . . . A confused shape of voices preceded the group into the living room. He went forward with Mr. Maitland.

WELSH COLLIERY ACCIDENT

Seven Men Believed Drowned

London, To-day.

It is feared that seven men have been drowned in a colliery disaster in South Wales. While 20 men of the day shift were at work yesterday in the 'Loveston' pit in Pembrokeshire, which has only recently been re-opened after several years, water broke through the roof of the workings, which are 600 feet deep. Thirteen of the men succeeded in fighting their way to safety.

Rescue work is being feverishly pursued, but owing to the rising water the difficulties are great. One body has been recovered, but nothing has been seen or heard of the six other men who were trapped.—British Wireless Service.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Dangerous But Passable," by Dorothy Marie Davis.

a little wooden smile on his face, a little wariness in his head, steady and cold through the kazy insubstantiality. Elinor made the introductions. Brightly . . .

"This is Aunt Hetty. Paul. She'll probably disapprove of you but she does about everything anyway, on principle, so don't get high hat about it."

He bowed. The automatic index began to check, just a little blurred through the fog. "Hello." Nice dry voice. Attractively homely face. "Well, it was right snappy work anyway . . . Pleasantly stringent. Plus."

Uncle Irvin. "Ayah . . . Young man . . ." Mm hm. "Lochinvar out of the west, eh?" Throaty, hearty, good looking, thirty-five pounds overweight, "Ayah . . . Pff." Uncle Mathew. "Well, you've got your fourth at bridge finally. Beth. Is he any good?" Humorous eyes, a little hard, trig moustache, vaguely adulterous. Plus.

Aunt Myra. Bellodgia. Mouth two sizes smaller than natural for company. Limp hand. "I've heard so much about you." Minus.

Cousin Gerald. "How do you do." Just dandy. How the hell are you? Tall, shy, defensive aloofness—something familiar about that. Me, he realized suddenly, surprised. Uh uh, better steer clear.

Cousin Joy. ". . . too exciting, you didn't really, did you really, run off to Greenwich?" . . . Nice kid. Thinks Elinor just too too. Ready to think any one Elinor thinks too too too too, too. (Continued on Page 10)

TROOPS AND TANKS DESPATCHED

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as supernumerary police, while the military garrison had been substantially reinforced.

There was no reason to suppose that the appointment of a Royal Commission after order had been restored would not be generally acceptable. At the moment it was impossible to state the terms of reference or the personnel of the Commission.—Reuter.

Armed Bands Become Even Bolder

MOTORISED CONVOYS ATTACKED

Jerusalem, later: The bands of armed Arabs have become bolder, particularly in North Palestine. The individual ambush attacks are now assuming almost the character of risings. Motorised convoys are attacked, despite their armed escorts; Jewish crops are burned; and telephone wires are cut continuously, one result of which is that telephone communication with Haifa and Cairo was interrupted at noon yesterday.

It is believed that the Arab leaders are ready to call off the strike and check the lawlessness if they can find a way out, as they realise that they are rapidly losing control of the younger hot-heads, but Sir Arthur Wauchope, the High Commissioner, will not yield on the major points of his policy and is determined to suppress all lawlessness before initiating negotiations. The difficulty is to find some common ground for an immediate solution of the present troubles, thus creating an atmosphere of calm for the parleys.—Reuter.

SPIRIT OF RESTRAINT

London: In an address at the Levant Fair at Tel Aviv yesterday the High Commissioner, Sir Arthur Wauchope, referred to the "most regrettable disturbances and many acts of lawlessness of the last few weeks" and said: "During the past four weeks the law-abiding citizens of this country, under deep provocation, have shown a restraint which is highly appreciated by me. This spirit of restraint is admirable in itself and most helpful to the Government. I again assure you that no strike and no acts of violence will cause the Government to deflect from its determination to discharge in full its obligations under the Mandate."—British Wireless Service.

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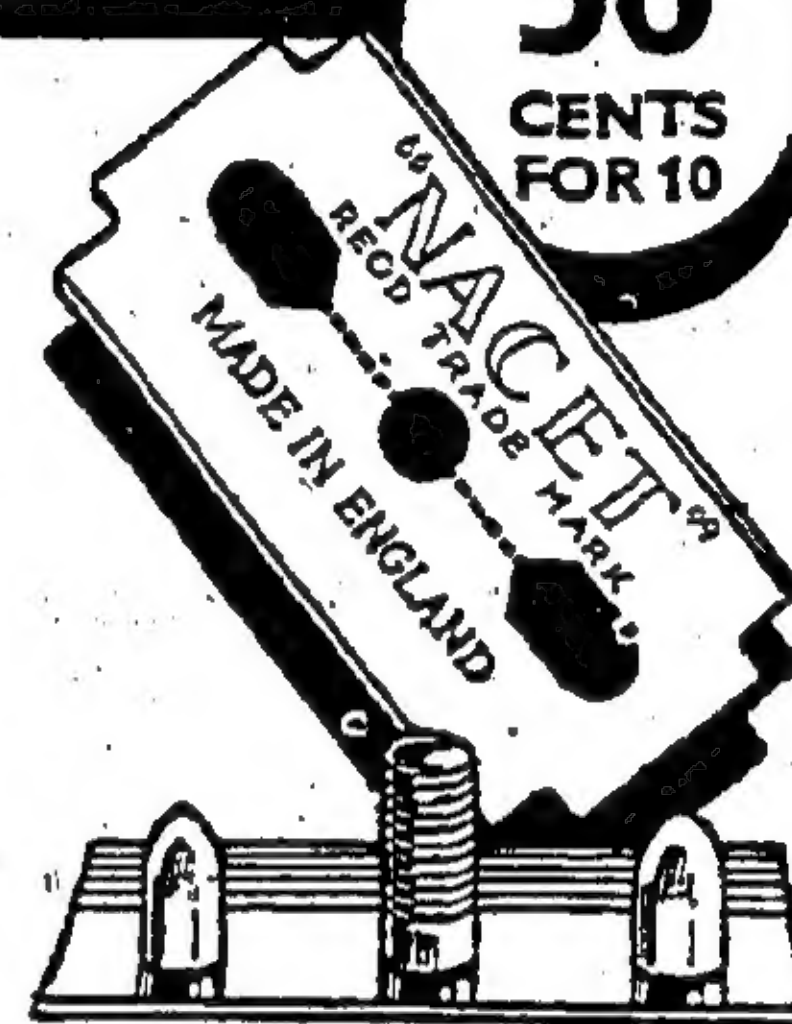
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DIFFICULT TRADING CONDITIONS

STORM WEATHERED LOCALLY

Difficult trading conditions in the hotel business, especially in the Northern ports, were reported by Mr. J. H. Taggart, Chairman of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels Ltd., at the annual general meeting of the Company this morning. The Company's local properties weathered the storm better than those in the north, and the Chairman was able to announce a substantial reduction of over \$165,000, effected during the past year, in the Company's mortgage indebtedness.

The special reconstruction scheme, involving a reduction in capital and which, it is hoped, will effect a speedy return to a dividend-paying status by the Company, was also referred to at length in the Chairman's speech.

Mr. J. H. Taggart was in the chair and was supported by Mr. J. Scott-Harston, Mr. E. M. Raymond, Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, representing Sir Elly Kadoorie, K.B.E., Com. Leg. Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo (Directors), Mr. R. H. Wadsworth (representing the Company's Solicitors, Messrs. Deacons), Mr. S. Hampden Ross (representing the Company's auditors, Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming), Mr. P. H. Suckling (General Manager) and Mr. F. C. Barry (Secretary). Sir Robert Ho Tung, Kt., LL.D., Com. Leg. Hon., was an absentee.

The following shareholders were also present:

Messrs. Johann Semmler, Ho Wing Tim, Wai Kwong Tong, Leung Kan Fat, C. J. Triggs, Fong Yuk Shan, W. J. Simpson, L. D. Fernandes, B. L. Kwan, Tsui Tim, Ho Hong Ping, Chu Hing To, S. E. Green, Poon Wing Fook, A. Eddy, E. Grivaud, C. Pfister, C. A. Kaluzhny, Tang Yat Cho, W. L. McKenzie, Yeung Man Hok, Lai Chan, Lam Kim Yue, Leung Tsz Ko, Lee Wing Hee, Chan Sui Lan, Lam Man, Lai Shu, Pun Kwan Tok, Chan Sui Fai, Chui Miu Chi, A. K. Dimond, W. J. Burling, W. V. Field, Leung King Ting, U. M. Omar, C. C. Chui, Tang Pok Yat, Ho King, Wai Man Lok, Fung Yam Leung, Loo Oai Thim, T. C. T. Beck, To Shing Chung, Lai Yun Kau, Wong Chee Hoi, E. O. Murphy, E. H. Watts, J. T. Sakram, A. Dransfield, Frank Austin, Cheung Ching Wing, Yu Choi Leung, A. G. Piovaneli, D. Tolan, J. P. Sherry, J. J. Edgar, J. F. Wright, Jr., H. J. Armstrong, M. H. Lo, A. W. Brown, P. M. Hodgson, G. A. Harriman, C. C. Blake, C. A. L. Ricketts, T. R. Parsons, Cheung Kin Wai, A. M. L. Soares, E. H. P. White, Mrs. M. M. Fullerton, A. M. d'Eca, Mak Kam Lan and Wing Ching Hong.

Chairman's Speech.
In his speech the Chairman said:—"The Accounts for the financial year 1935, which are under your survey to-day, cover a period within which have been generated many difficulties and disappointments for the operation of Hotels in the Far East, and particularly has this been marked in the northern field, where in two of the largest establishments comprised in your undertaking are located. No reminder from me is needed to emphasise to you the condition of severe financial stringency which has continuously existed in Shanghai during the period now under review, the repercussive effect of which is reflected in the earnings of your company, in common with other commercial undertakings.

"Your Hotels in that port, although, as you are aware, of an old-fashioned type, comparing most unfavourably with the numerous establishments of modern construction recently erected there, have attracted what can be considered in the circumstances a satisfactory revenue. The advantage, however, of an encouraging ratio of occupancy has been offset by the necessity, compelled by competitive action, to accept cut rates, and this procedure had the result of a negligible contribution only accruing to the General Working Account from those establishments, after relative overheads had been met.

Better Results in H. K.
"Your Hong Kong establishments fared more favourably, I am pleased to say. Indeed, results achieved at most of our hotels in the Colony during the first and last quarters of the year were highly satisfactory. Unfortunately, however, the summer season of 1935 again ushered in an era of doldrums sufficiently dull to almost eradicate the satisfactory

and carpets for Hong Kong establishments.

"Turning to the Liabilities side of the Balance Sheet, you will see that the Special Repairs and Renewals Reserve has suffered depletion during the year by \$10,932.41. This relates mainly to special expenditure incurred in painting the whole of the exterior of the Hong Kong Hotel, and to rewiring in connection with the electrical installation of certain of our establishments in order to conform to the requirements of Government regulations.

"The Balance Sheet reveals one solitary oasis in the midst of what you may consider my somewhat depressing remarks. I refer to the reduction of the Company's Mortgage indebtedness effected during the year. You will observe that the figure under that heading in the Balance Sheet before you is \$289,469.61, which compares favourably with a Mortgage liability of \$454,896.83 at December 31, 1934. I feel that the reduction made during the year 1935 of approximately \$165,000 is gratifying in the circumstances. As also is the fact that the indebtedness of your undertaking has been further reduced since the turn of the year and now stands at the lowest figure on record covering the past 50 years.

Reconstruction Scheme

"I do not consider there are other items in the Balance Sheet and Accounts upon which I can usefully comment. I would, however, crave your attention for a few minutes in relation to the proposals which will come up for your consideration at the Extraordinary General Meeting to be held later to-day, with regard to the scheme for reconstruction of the Balance Sheet of the Company by the utilisation of certain reserves and by cancelling capital to the extent of \$2.50 per Share.

"In my circular letter addressed to Shareholders under date April 27 last, a copy of which is in your hands, I stated that your Directors had given serious consideration to the present financial position of the Company. This consideration has entailed the earnest deliberations of your Directors over a lengthy period.

"During the past few years—years in respect of which the trading results have enabled a dividend distribution to shareholders and also years which have been bare of dividend—considerable sums have been charged in the Profit and Loss Account by way of Depreciation on Buildings and Furniture and Fixtures. In addition, the resultant position was strengthened by the presence of Reserves substantial in amount, which, with the exception of the Land and Buildings Reserve, had been allocated out of profits in past years. Moreover, it was rightly considered that in view of the book values of the land owned by the Company—as against the market worth of such land, a considerable hidden reserve existed, to offset a possible drop in the value of buildings and their equipment below the residual value thereof appearing from the book figures.

Drastic Change

"However, the experiences of the past two years have wrought a drastic change in that outlook. Particularly is this so in Shanghai, where the collapse of some important land companies operating on an extensive scale has caused a veritable slump in property values. In the circumstances your Board considered that remedial steps in relation to the Balance Sheet should be taken immediately.

"In addition to the altered situation with regard to property values, a further disadvantage (connected with the revolutionary ideas now attaching to the construction of new hotels and their equipment) has become so markedly apparent as to call for a new interpretation of 'modern accommodation' in relation to the demands of patrons, and thus operates to the detriment of older structures. Your establishments and their equipment, therefore, although constituting assets which have been subject to depreciation at rates considered sufficient to reduce each unit thereof to a break-up value within the period of its effective life, must in the light of modern conditions be regarded as standing in the books at figures far in excess of their actual capitalised value as earning units.



Foreign Consuls in Canton attended a special ceremony in connection with the recent death of Mr. Hu Han-min, the veteran Kuomintang leader, last Monday. (Far Eastern Pictorial Correspondents).

"As indicated in my circular letter, the aim of the reconstruction proposals submitted for your consideration is to write down all assets to figures which represent their real worth as assets dependent upon their earning capacity. To achieve this it is proposed to write off from Book Values as at December 31, 1935, the amounts scheduled in the circular before you amounting to \$8,856,737.34. It is proposed to effect this (1) by writing up the Book Values of land as at December 31, 1935, by \$550,980.16; (2) by transferring Reserves as listed in the circular, totalling \$5,318,349.14; and (3) by cancelling Capital to the extent of \$2.50 per share, making available on the 1,193,867 shares issued \$2,984,667.50.

"The book figures relating to land have been adjusted so as to bring land valuations to amounts which in the opinion of your Board conform more nearly to present-day values, having regard to location and to potential earning capacity. The net result is an increase in the book value of land by \$550,980.16.

"I should state that the scheme I have referred to bears the recommendation of your Board by a majority of five to two. The dissentient Directors hold the view that the complete writing off of all Reserves appearing in the Balance Sheet would in present circumstances be sufficient, and/or that the Capital should not be reduced before the Reserves were first eliminated.

Absolute Necessity

"In substantiating the opinion of the majority of the Directors as embodied in the scheme for your consideration, I submit that it is an absolute necessity that certain Reserves should be maintained, and in this relation would point out in the first place that the scheme calls for the retention of \$550,000.00 as a Land Reserve, which sum represents the accretion in amount of the new computation for land values in the adjusted Balance Sheet over the old Balance Sheet figures, and which it is considered should be retained to be held in Reserve against possible losses on realisation of any of the properties.

"Secondly, I would point out that it is desired to retain \$450,000 as a General Reserve to provide resilience against the contingency of any periods of adverse trading—which is considered a necessary and reasonable precaution.

"You will observe from the summary showing the amounts to be written off Assets under the Reconstruction proposals, that the items earmarked for drastic reduction are Buildings, Furniture and Fixtures, Machinery and Plant, Linen, Crockery and Glassware. The main application of these appropriations has been directed to the Buildings and Equipment of the Palace and Astor House Hotels, Shanghai, the Peak Hotel, Hong Kong, and in a minor degree to the Hong Kong Hotel.

Obsolescence

"You will appreciate that 'obsolescence' has made inroads into the value of these properties to an extent in excess of the amount of depreciation provided for them over the past few years. It is for this reason also that the reduction on the item 'Investments' is called for in order to make similar provision in respect of the Grand Hotel des Wagon-Lits, Peiping.

The item 'Construction in Progress', which is eliminated under the scheme, represents mainly expenditure on plans, site levelling, etc., in connection with the hotel on the Shamshien it was proposed to construct some years ago.

"In the opinion of your Directors the effect of their proposals as dealt with in my preceding remarks is to present a Reconstructed Balance Sheet presenting a true perspective of the position of the Company in the light of the abnormal times through which we are passing. Considerable future

saving in depreciation will be effected if you adopt and sanction these proposals, and as a result thereof the Company should return to a dividend-paying basis much earlier than would otherwise be the case. Moreover, your Company will be placed in a more mobile position to embark upon disposal and/or reconstruction and development of certain assets.

"Reverting to the business for this meeting, I now formally propose that the Report of the Directors and the Accounts for the financial year ended December 31, 1935, as presented, be adopted, and that, as recommended by your Directors, the balance at credit of the Profit and Loss Account, amounting to \$342,001.65, be carried forward to next year's Account, and I shall be obliged if some Shareholder will kindly second such proposal, whereupon questions as to the Report and Accounts may be raised."

Second's Speech

In seconding the adoption of the Report and Accounts Mr. Frank Austin said:—"In rising to second your motion, Mr. Chairman, I feel that I can safely put it to you as the general opinion of this meeting, that we much appreciate the very full information given in the address you have just delivered.

"We know that it has been the unpleasant duty of many Chairmen who have presided at annual meetings of our local companies in recent months to emphasise the financial stringency of these times, and the difficulties met with in consequence. All things considered, I feel there is cause for congratulation that this company has weathered the difficulties of the year 1935 so well.

"It seems to me also that considerable satisfaction can be derived from the substantial reduction of over \$165,000 effected

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during the past year in the Company's mortgage indebtedness.

"If I may be permitted to refer to the Reconstruction Scheme which the Directors submit for our consideration to-day, I would say that on first hearing of these proposals my views were that it would be preferable merely to appropriate the Reserves now standing in the Balance Sheet for the purpose of writing down the value of the Company's fixed assets, without touching the capital. I put these views before our Chairman, who very kindly gave me fuller details, upon which the Reconstruction Scheme was based.

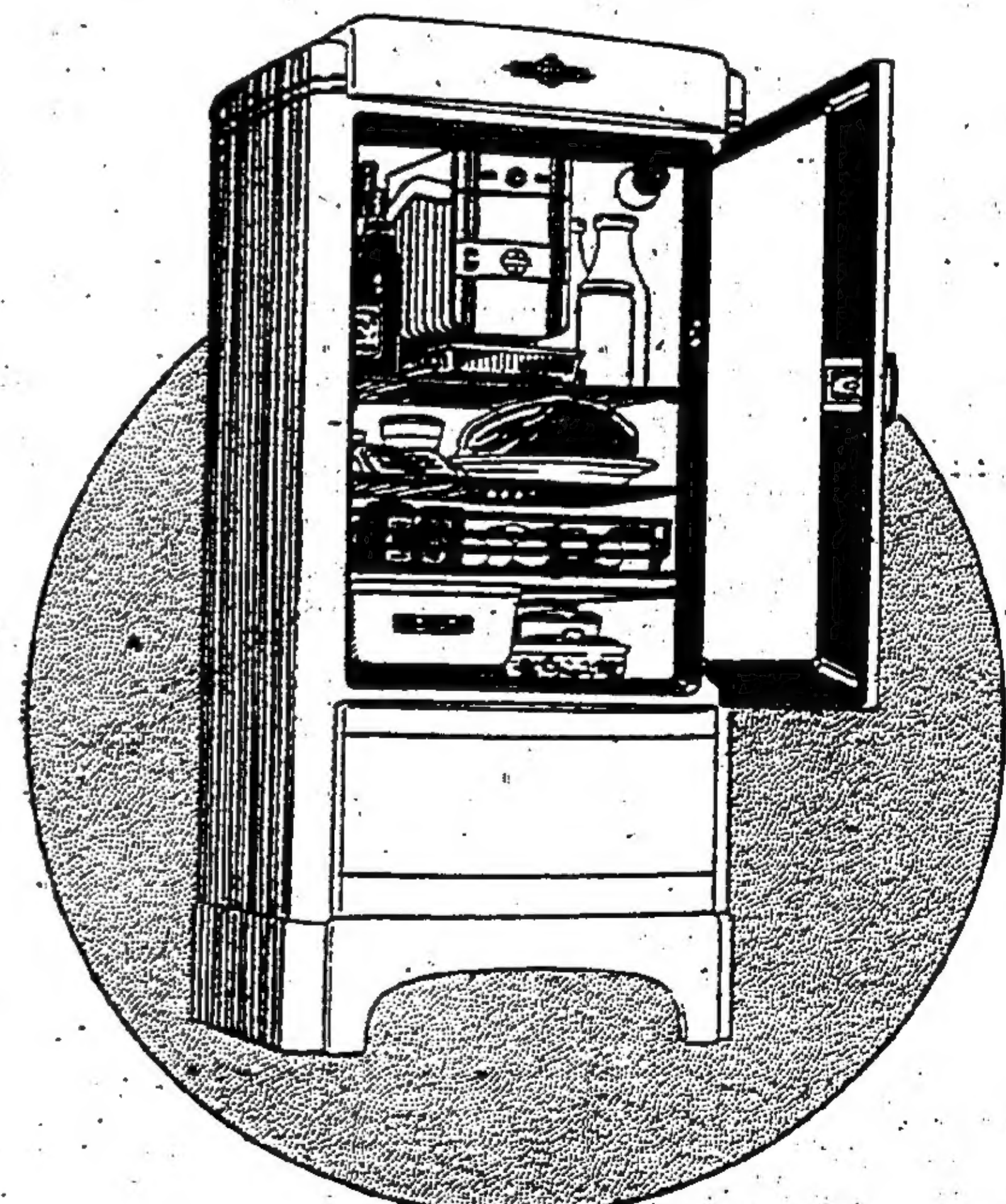
Better Solution
"After giving careful consideration to this fuller information, I am satisfied that the proposals to be put before you to-day hold the promise of a much better solution of the Company's present difficulties. I trust that the Special Resolution, to be put at the next meeting, providing for the Capital cancellation involved in the scheme, will receive your approval. It appears to me that the Directors are advocating wise measures, and making a worthy attempt to get down to bedrock."

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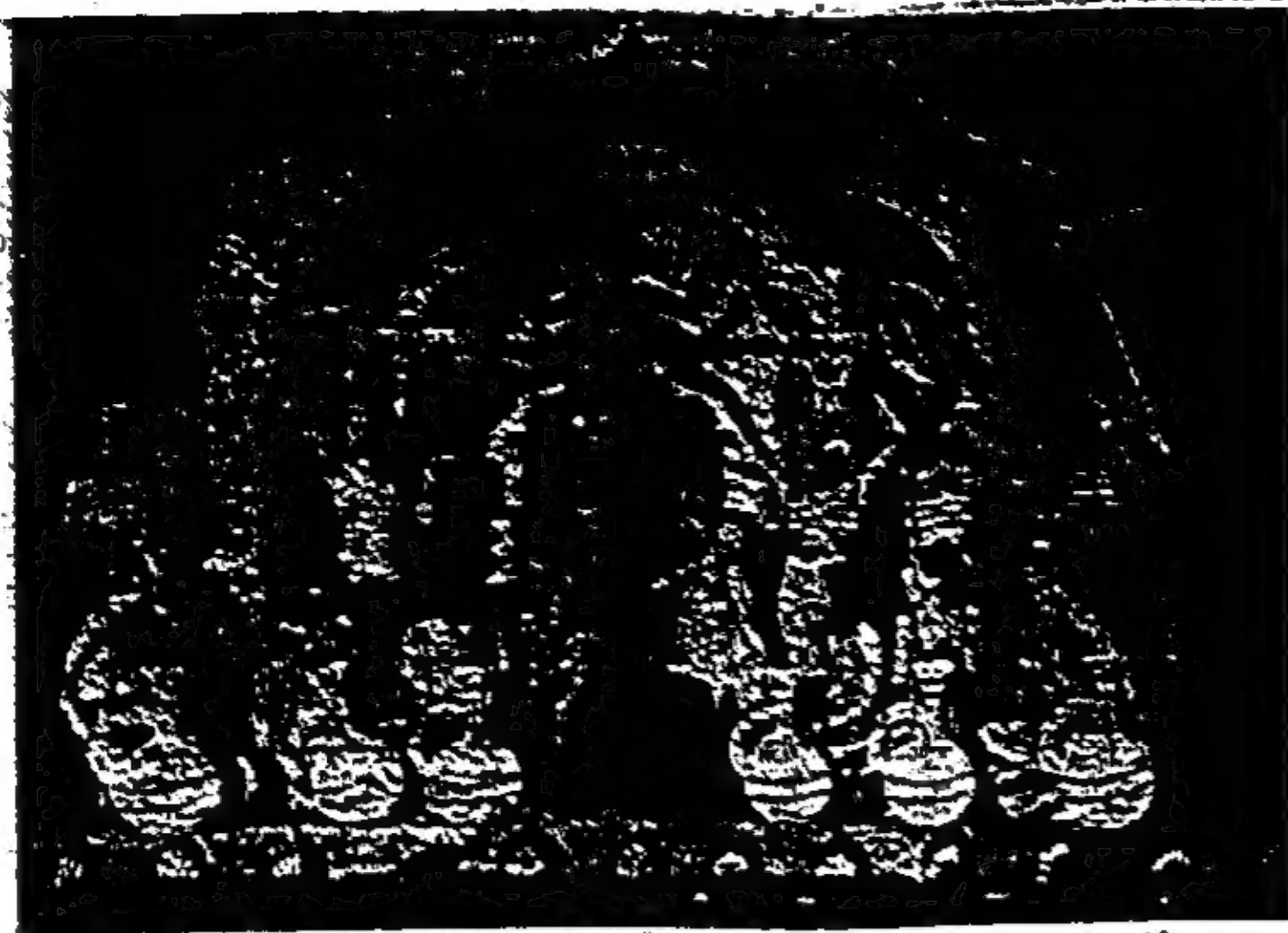
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WEDDING PRESENT

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He giggled uncontrollably and straightened his face severely. Cousin Felicia. Another one of the "how do you do's." Out of Tallulah Bankhead by Dennis King. Haut Monde. Militantly unimpressed. Looks like the uncle with the chic moustache. She ought to wear one too. "And this, Paul, is Granny Maitland." He got a cloudy sensation of relief looking at her. He hadn't realised it until just now, but he'd been vaguely troubled by a sense of Elinor not belonging somehow, in this house, among these people—a stranger, a changeling. Now, relievedly, he saw the undeniable thread the genetic design. She put out her hand to him, a fragile touch of instant kinship, and his face broke into a smile, a real one. "So this is the youngster all the fuss was about," she said in a thin dear voice. "New mother," Mr. Maitland warned with studied lightness. "You mustn't embarrass the boy. We just wanted to make sure he'd appreciate Ellie when he got her, finally." "Well, you made sure they'd both appreciate you anyway." She kept looking at Paul with a bright, friendly, humorous regard and he grinned back wholeheartedly, without tightness. Somehow he had always thought of old people as crumpled, broken, robbed, shrivelled with living, like his Grandmother Hartmann. But this slim, straight little old lady seemed to have given nothing essential of herself to time at all. She was—why yes, she was beautiful. Not the way Elinor was beautiful, but beautiful all the same. It was something brand new to him and he looked at her eagerly, holding on to her hand. "Chicago, eh?" Uncle Mathew said in his crisp voice. "Well you can count on me for the bullet-proof vest, Ellie." "And who'll she count on for the pants?" Hetty asked. "You'll have to fix her up with those. Het. After all, I'm only her uncle. People might misunderstand." "Well that's fine," Elinor said. "Fine. That about takes care of everything. I guess. Let's see. Uncle Irvin has me fixed up with insurance." "He would be in insurance, Paul thought. "I suppose I can count on mother and dad for the machine gun and truck."

And he saw her thus, Elinor in a bustle, with a silly little parasol over her shoulder, and his heart filled with a sudden unaccountable gratitude, and seized by an irresistible impulse he bent over the hand still lying in his, light and dry as a leaf, and put his lips to it. He realised then what he was doing and thought angrily, you're drunk, you nitwit—realising how stagey and ridiculous it must look to the others. He flashed an embarrassed glance at the old lady's face, expecting an expression of surprise or amusement in those wonderful clear old eyes. But it was neither of these he saw there. Something else was forming in her face, an expression that was more like a shyness than amusement. Shyness. No, it was silly—but watching incredibly, he saw a faint pink flush spreading now over the delicate whiteness of her cheeks. She was blushing—actually blushing. Again his heart swelled with that tremendous cloudy surge of gratitude. It was so marvellous of her, of the life in her, to have remained so pure, so undimmed, so living. Yes, here, he knew cloudily, in this lovely fragile being so close upon death, he had come upon something

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The inscription on the watch was: "Presented to Mr. T. Hynes on his retirement from the Postal Service of Hong Kong, by the Postmaster General and Staff, May, 1936."

Mr. Hynes came to Hong Kong in 1904, joining the Police, and in 1906 transferred to the Sanitary Department. He joined the Post Office in 1914.

deathless, something which, recognising, he knew beyond all reason, in his heart, was out of the reach of death. And he felt glad, terribly glad and grateful to her. It was as if she had given him an inestimably precious gift—Elinor's immortality.

She had bent toward him, smiling secretly, just between them. "I thought you were entitled to that little revenge."

He would have liked to say something to her about the gift, but it wasn't anything he was sure he could have put into words, even if he were sober. He made the pressure of his hand say thanks. For the little moment there were just the two of them. The others, Elinor too, stood apart smiling, a little embarrassed, outside it.

"You must have looked just like Elinor when you were young," he said now. "That makes me feel awfully glad, somehow. It means she'll probably look just like you when she grows old."

She drew her arm through his. "What do you mean, old? Up you mean, don't you?" She smiled delightfully and put her hand out to Elinor. "Get the album, Ellie darling. He brought it on himself."

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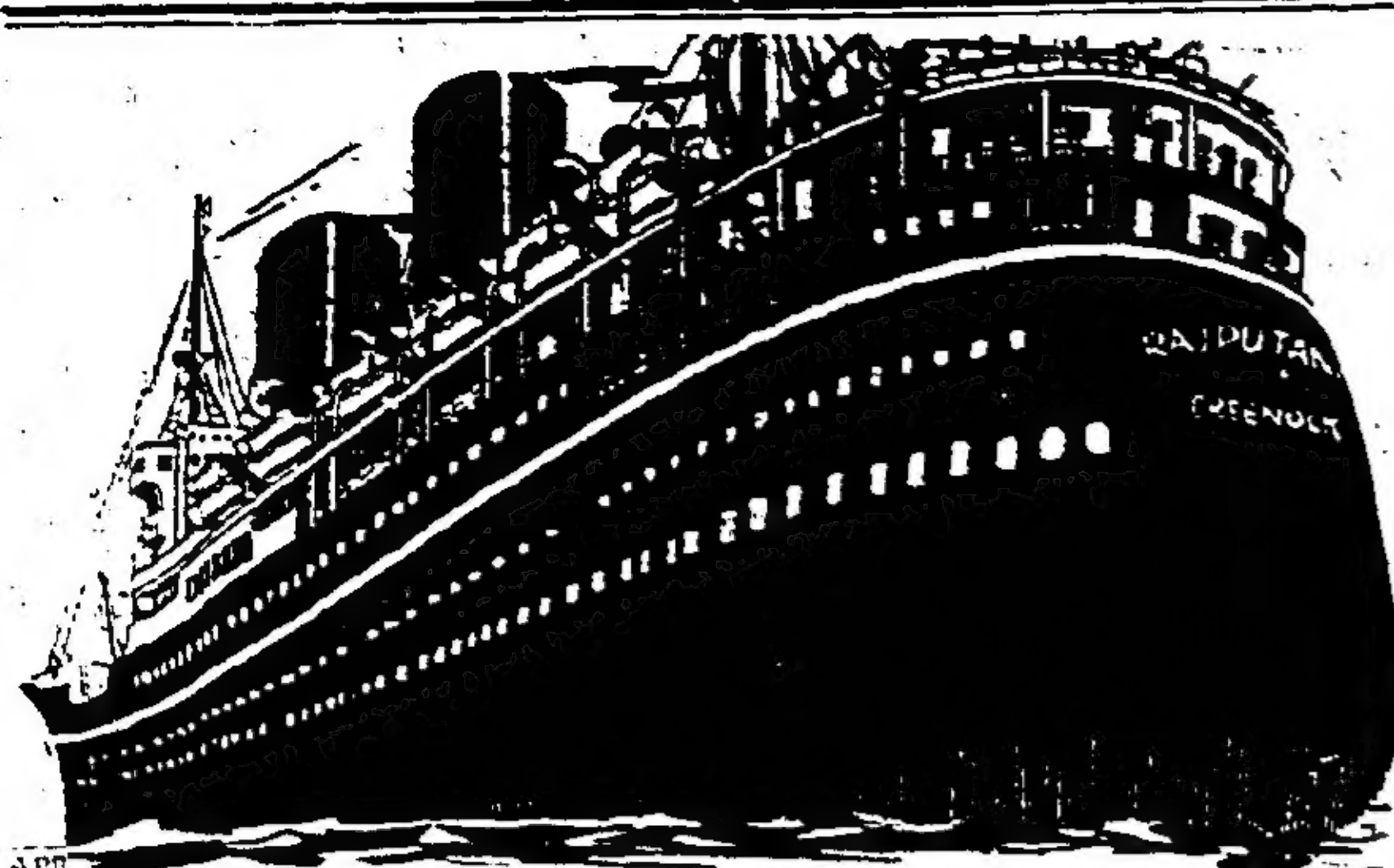
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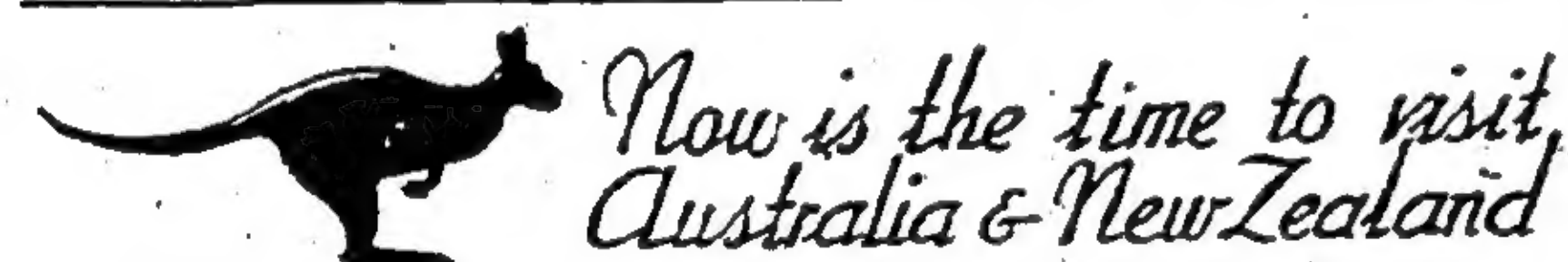
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Cinema Notes From The Theatres

THE GREAT IMPERSONATION—KING'S THEATRE

In "The Great Impersonation," the greatest of all the romantic mysterious ever written by E. Phillips Oppenheim, Edmund Lowe, the star, plays a dual role. It is an exciting story of international intrigue and love, and opposite him are beautiful Valerie Hobson and seductive Vera Engels, the lovely women in his life, who finally pierce through the secret of "The Great Impersonation" and bring it to a grand conclusion.

The story opens dramatically in per-war German East Africa in 1914. The note of gradually mounting terror for which Universal is supreme, pervades many of the scenes, intermingled with shots of beauty and grandeur, beautiful women, lavishly gowned. The balance of the cast includes Henry Morrison, Spring Byington, Lumsden Hare, Henry Kolker, Brandon Hurst, Claude King, Leonard Mudie, Murray Kinnell, Esther Dale, Dwight Frye, Douglas Wood, Ivan Simpson, Virginia Hammond and Edward Cooper. Alan Crossland directed this Edmund Grainier production.

"LITTLE AMERICA"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

That epoch-making polar trip, starring Admiral Richard E. Byrd and his loyal band of 56 followers, has been recorded for all time in Paramount's "Little America," an actual scene by scene account of the intrepid explorer's second Antarctic Expedition as taken by two cameramen who accompanied the expedition.

Every thrilling event of this hazardous undertaking in this truth-is-stranger-than-fiction production, crammed with suspense, drama and romance in every foot of film, is shown. Isolating themselves of their own free will, filled with the spirit of adventure, this courageous expedition set out to conquer the frozen wastes of the South Pole, determined and ready to face any danger, every hardship.

The intimate everyday life of these men, who spent 18 months in an ice empire making valuable researches as they battled the elements, is vividly shown in the picture. This fearless group are shown at work, fighting through blinding blizzards, roaring gales, unimaginable cold in a land of ice and snow. They are seen at play, finding relaxation through radio programmes in their underground city, and at their studies in their own University of Antarctica with the expedition's scientists acting as professors.

The film opens on board the ship Bear of Oakland as it fights its way through the icebergs and dangerous pack ice to the 70-foot high barrier to "Little America" exactly as they left it a few years before, when they made their first trip.

"FOLLOW THE FLEET"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

The nimble feet and lusty lungs of Fred Astaire are given a thorough workout in RKO Radio's musical, "Follow the Fleet," in which the King of Terpsichore again has Ginger Rogers co-starred.

Astaire sings four brand new Irving Berlin melodies, one with Ginger Rogers; and dances four times, three times with Miss Rogers, and one solo dance, along with his engaging comedy performances.

He sings "We Saw the Sea," "I'd Rather Lead a Band," and "Let's Face the Music and Dance," and he and Miss Rogers join in the rendition of "All My Eggs in One Basket."

He and Miss Rogers do a hot collegiate ballroom routine to "Let Yourself Go." Later they join in a comedy pantomime dance to "All My Eggs in One Basket."

And for a finale, they do an interpretative dance to "Let's Face the Music and Dance."

For his solo dance, Astaire does a sensational seven minute tap routine to "I'd Rather Lead a Band." Twenty-four sailors accompany him in this novelty drill dance, which is the rhythmic highlight of the picture.

Astaire and Miss Rogers are supported by a brilliant cast in-



Merle Oberon, as she appears in "The Scarlet Pimpernel," an "Old Favourite" showing for one day only at the Star Theatre today.

NORTH SEA COLLISION

Six Trawler Hands Drowned

London, To-day.

Six lives have been lost by drowning in the North Sea as a result of a collision off Aldborough, near Flamborough Head on the Yorkshire coast, between the Hull trawler Picador, of 424 tons, and the London steamer San Salvador, of 5,805 tons, which occurred in a dense fog yesterday morning. The Picador, which was returning to Hull from fishing grounds, sank in three minutes. The San Salvador, which was bound for the Tyne from South America with a cargo of oil, picked up 14 of the Picador's crew of 20.

The San Salvador was damaged and is taking in water. She is making for port.—British Wireless Service.

cluding the lovely Harriet Hilliard and Randolph Scott in featured roles.

"Follow the Fleet" was written for the screen by Dwight Taylor and Allan Scott, directed by Mark Sandrich, and produced by Pandro S. Berman.

"THE CASE OF THE CURIOUS BRIDE"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Warren William again portrays Perry Mason, while Margaret Lindsay plays the part of the "curious bride" Claire Dodd continues as Mason's astute secretary-sweetheart.

The attorney-detective learns that the bride's first husband, supposed to have been dead for four years, is alive, and is attempting to blackmail her. Then the man is found dead with a stab wound through his heart. The wife's keys are found at his side and she is arrested for the murder.

Perry Mason, as the woman's attorney, discovers there are four other persons who had a motive for killing the blackmailer. One is the bride's second husband who is insanely jealous of her; a Dr. Hallsap, who is genuinely in love with her; a chorus girl and her brother, who are being bled for blackmail.

The cast includes Donald Woods, Winifred Shaw, Warren Hymer, Allen Jenkins, Barton MacLane and Olin Howland.

"THE THIRTEENTH GUEST"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

Borrowed from Warner Brothers for a leading role in the Monogram production, Lyle Talbot, well-known leading man, presents one of the finest performances of his sensational career in "The Thirteenth Guest," a mystery melodrama.

In "The Thirteenth Guest" he plays the outstanding role of the debonair private investigator whose clever solution of the plot furnishes the climax for one of the weirdest and most unusual murder mysteries of the year.

Starring Ginger Rogers, the cast also includes J. Farrell MacDonald, Frances Rich, Irene Rich's beautiful daughter, and Eddie Phillips. James Eagles, Erville Alderson, Robert Klein, Crawford Kent, Ethel Wales, Phillips Smalley, Paul Hurst and William Davidson.

THE CASH VALUE OF A DERBY WINNER

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The statement has been made that he was not of much account as a racehorse. That is not true. Blandford was not entered for the Derby of his year, but there is good reason to believe that he would have won if he could have run for it. At that time he was as good as even weights as the four-year-old Franklin, who on the day after Captain Cuttle's Derby won the Coronation Cup. Three of Blandford's sons have won the Derby, Trigo, Blenheim, and Windsor Lad.

A Record

Two years ago his progeny won 202 races worth over £70,000—a record. He is the sire also of the great French horse Brantome, and of the unbeaten Bahram. Brantome has already won over £22,000 in prize money, and his owner is assured of a huge income from the horse when he is retired to the stud. His services are fully booked for the first two years, as are those of Windsor Lad.

Mr. H. Martin Benson gave the Maharajah of Rajpipla £50,000 for Windsor Lad after he had won the Derby. He was investing in the horse's stud prospects, but Windsor Lad's St. Leger victory soon recovered for him £10,000 of his outlay.

Solaris was bought for £3,675 as a yearling and won nearly £21,000 in stake money. His owner, the late Sir John Rutherford, refused all offers for him and launched him successfully on his stud career at a fee of 500 guineas. When Sir John died, a syndicate of breeders bought the horse for £49,250. These figures glitter. They represent the dazzling prizes of racing.

Desire To Own

For one person who owns racehorses for the purpose of betting, scores seek primarily the real pleasures of the sport, inspired by the desire to own a really good horse. There is always the chance that one may come their way.

Mr. Ben Irish, a farmer in a modest suburb of London, gave 260 guineas for a yearling and named him Peristomum. He won many races, and eventually was good enough to win the Ascot Gold Cup of 1921. With the money he won over Peristomum, Mr. Irish gave 3,500 guineas for another yearling.

That was Papyrus, who in due course won the Derby for him and about £20,000 in stake money. He sold the horse for a large sum at the end of his three-year-old career.

Mr. Tom Wall's Derby winner April the Fifth was bred by his partner Mr. Sidney McGregor from a mare for which he gave 230 guineas. The partnership terms were that Mr. Wall's should train April the Fifth at his own expense and divide any stake money the horse won with Mr. McGregor.

Best Ever

The present Duke of Portland bought St. Simon for 1,600 guineas. The horse's classic engagements were void owing to the death of his nominator, but in the course of his racing career he proved himself to be perhaps the best ever produced. Ormonde is regarded

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THEIR CHANCES IN COMING TESTS

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ed as his only rival in that respect.

St. Simon was at the stud for 22 years. The fees paid on behalf of mares who visited him during that time exceeded £160,000, and if allowance is made for his owner's mares who were mated to him, St. Simon earned at the stud approximately a quarter of a million pounds. His progeny won about 550 races worth £532,500. He has been one of the most potent forces ever known in thoroughbred horse breeding.

At Doncaster yearling sales four years ago Mrs. Dawson Waugh, the wife of the Newmarket trainer, accompanied him as he passed from box to box, inspecting the youngsters who were shortly to enter the sale ring. She was lost in admiration for one filly.

Later she urged her husband to buy the filly for her. A little doubtfully, he made a bid of 100 guineas, and she was knocked down to him. As the mare was by Black Watch out of Little Mark, Mrs. Waugh gave her the very suitable name of Mark Time. In her first racing season two years ago, Mark Time won four races and £1,700 in stake money, and recently she showed herself to be one of the best three-year-old sprinters by taking another race worth £550.

ELECTIONS IN BELGIUM

New Coalition To Be Formed

Brussels, To-day.

The Cabinet resigned after its afternoon meeting yesterday. Although the Socialists obtained a majority of seats at the election the Catholics will be asked to form a new Government based on a Socialist-Catholic coalition, as hitherto. M. Van Zeeland was to have seen the King last evening, but it is uncertain whether he will retain the Premiership.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

I wonder sometimes whether we do not waste much likely material by trying to pass it through a conventional mould. We do not encourage our youngsters to develop their abilities along their own lines, but attempt to make them conform to a traditional and cautiously sound style.

Courage Needed

We have had enough of sound technique, with the underlying stress on the need for caution. Let us not neglect the true principles of the game, but let us have courage and independence. The Bradmans of cricket follow their own inspiration. They are not coached out of all originality.

We must give our young cricketers encouragement and confidence. They have the talent, I am sure of that, and with wise handling it will develop.

This summer must be devoted to the young players. We know the value of men like Sutcliffe and Leyland. We can rely upon them. We do not need to see them in action against All-India.

If our selectors, in their wisdom, are of the same mind, we shall have a team of the Oldfields and Hardstaffs and Pollards, with youth predominant, picked for the first Test match, and persevered with throughout the series.

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"It must be recognised that conditions have changed very rapidly during the last few years, and that, due to many special causes, there has been a relatively rapid depreciation of the Company's assets, making it impossible to obtain a fair return upon their existing book values. If the suggested reorganisation be adopted, the adjusted balance-sheet will present these Assets in a truer perspective, having due regard to their earning capacity."

Strong Cash Position
"The present cash position is a strong one, and the reconstruction proposed, given only fair trading conditions in the near future, should bring the time nearer when the Company, we hope, may be placed again upon a dividend-paying basis."

"Mr. Chairman, I have much pleasure in seconding your pro-

posal that the Report of the Directors, and the Accounts for the financial year ended December 31, 1935, as presented, be adopted, and that the balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account, amounting to \$342,001.65, be carried forward to next year's account."

The Report and Accounts were then unanimously passed.

Director's Retirement

The Chairman continued:

"The next business as noted in the Agenda for this meeting will not come up for your decision today. Since the issue of the convening notices your Board have with much regret received a notification from the Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell to the effect that he does not desire to stand for re-election as a Director. I take this opportunity of conveying to the Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell the thanks and appreciation of his colleagues in respect of his valuable assistance rendered to the Board covering a period of five years' association."

"In the interests of economy it is not proposed to fill the vacancy arising, but to administer the Company's affairs with a Board reduced to six members."

Another Tribute

Mr. J. Scott Harston said:—"I also would like to express my deep regret at the departure of the Hon. Mr. Bell from the Board of this Company. My relations with him have always been of the friendliest nature. His business acumen is so well and widely known that like good wine it needs no bush."

"Among the outstanding traits in Mr. Bell's character are his honesty of purpose and his courage in at all times upholding his convictions, coupled with his never-failing courtesy. The absence of his genial presence from the future deliberations of this Board will, I feel sure, be greatly regretted by his fellow-members."

Other Business

Mr. J. P. Sherry proposed and Mr. J. T. Bagram seconded the motion re-electing Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming as auditors for the ensuing year at the same remuneration and also authorising the company to pay them a sum of \$3,000 for special services last year. This concluded the business of the first meeting.

Special Resolution

The Chairman, having nothing further to add to his remarks concerning the Special Resolution, formally proposed:—

That the Capital of the Company be reduced from \$15,000,000 divided into 1,500,000 shares \$10 each to \$11,250,000 divided into 1,500,000 shares of \$7.50 each, and that such reduction be effected by cancelling Capital which has been lost, or is represented by available assets, to the extent of \$2.50 per Share upon each of the 1,193,867 Shares of the Company which have been issued, and by reducing the nominal amount of all the Shares in the Company's Capital from \$10 to \$7.50 per Share.

Mr. J. Scott Harston seconded the proposal which was carried by a unanimous vote.

WEATHER REPORT

A ridge of moderately high pressure lies over the Yangtze and extends eastward across Japan to the Pacific. Shallow depressions are situated over Manchuria and Siam. East winds, moderate; cloudy generally, with the forecast for to-day as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.

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UNREGISTERED "MUI-TSAI"

Married Woman Charged

BAIL OF \$1,000 ALLOWED

Leung Sui, a married woman, residing at No. 150 Queen's Road West, was this morning charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy with keeping Yu Mo-lo, aged 13, an unregistered mui-tai, and with ill-treating her.

Defendant said that the child was her adopted daughter and that she did not beat the girl.

The case was adjourned till June 5, bail of \$1,000 being allowed.

Girl's Story

Inspector Fraser said that as the result of information of a suspected unregistered mui-tai at the above address, he, together with the lady inspector, visited the premises, where they found the girl. The girl told them that she had been presented to the defendant as an adopted daughter some time in 1935 for \$64. Her father had been banished to Wuchow and the money was required for his expenses and the payment of some debts. A presentation deed had been drawn up.

When the girl was presented it was agreed that she should be educated, but she was not allowed to go to school. The girl regarded herself as a mui-tai, as she had to do all the household work and sleep under the bed, sometimes she did not get to sleep till 2 a.m.

The girl, when seen, complained that she had been beaten and bitten and was sent for medical examination, which bore out the girl's story.

UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Revised Regulations Still Outstanding

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, in a Commons reply yesterday, said that he regretted it had not yet been possible to introduce new regulations for the administration of unemployment assistance in place of the revised regulations submitted in the last Parliament and later withdrawn. The Government felt that it was necessary to make a very exhaustive examination of the possible effects of the changes, and he was unable to indicate the precise date when the new regulations would be presented. He did not anticipate that the final decision would now be long delayed. — British Wireless Service.

OPPOSITION TO AGGRESSION

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measures of resisting the Japanese aggression, which were advocated by the late Mr. Hu Han-min, veteran Kuomintang leader.

While the will of Dr. Sun Yat-sen is printed on the advertising page or obscure corners of the Chinese papers, the testament of Mr. Hu Han-min is published by day close to important cable news. It is not unlikely that the Canton and Kwangsi military authorities will launch a national movement on the basis of Mr. Hu's will in opposing dictatorship, foreign aggression and Communism.

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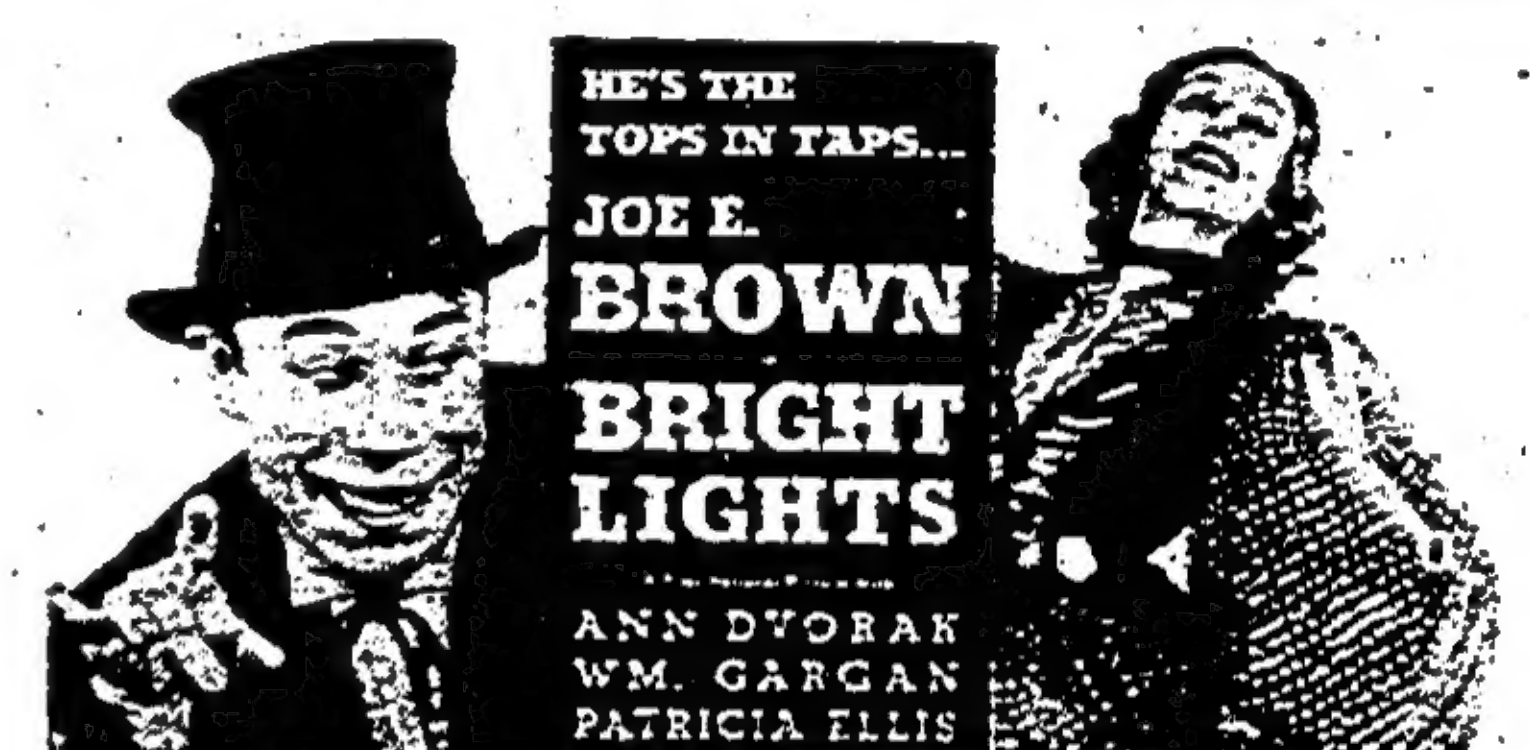
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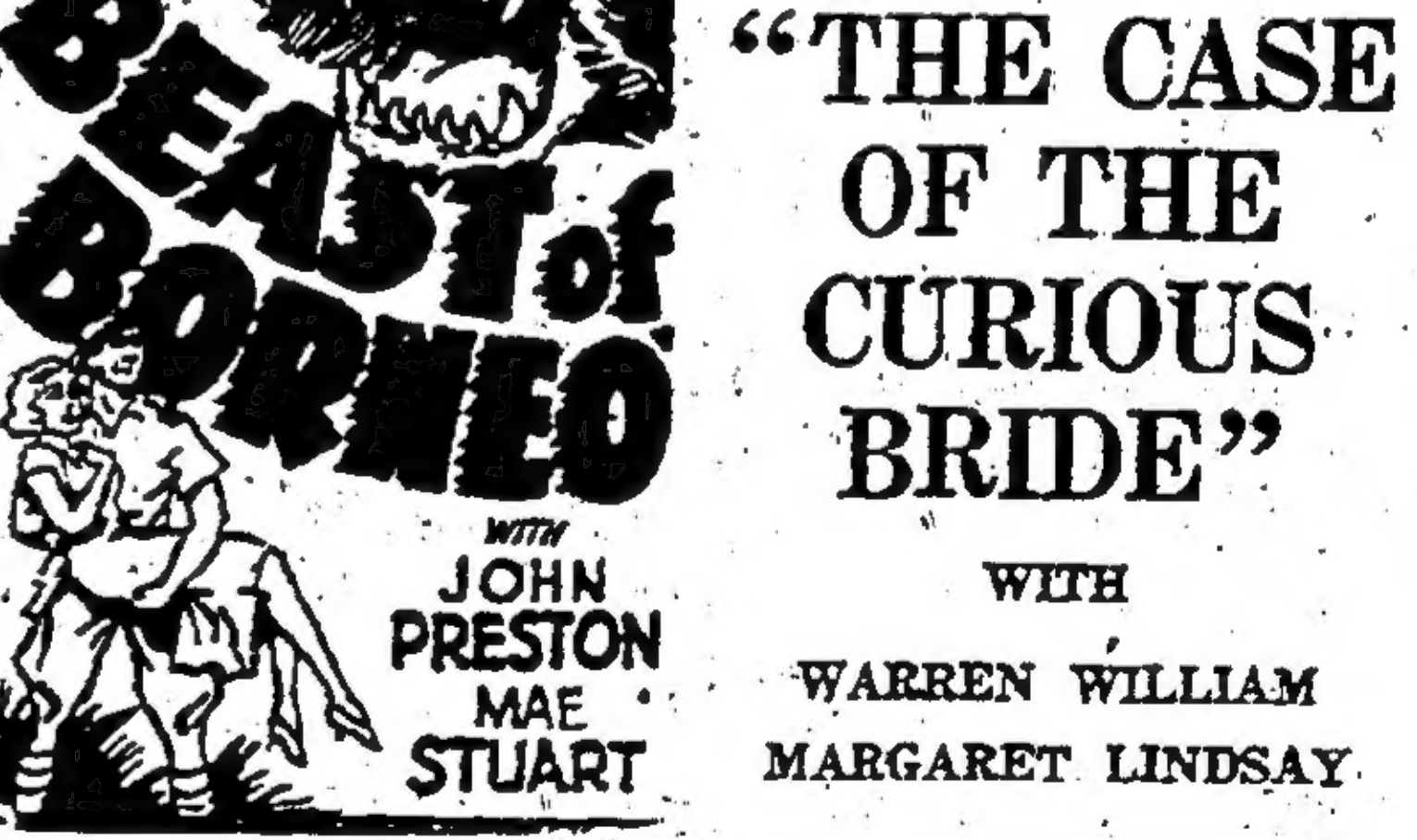
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